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THE TARIFF COMMISSION.

Farmers Asking for Increased Protection—The Big Bonspiel.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 9.—(Special)—The tariff commission continued all day, and will last probably all Wednesday. Farmers from all over the province asked for a lower duty on implements and increased protection for farm produce. All urged closer trade relations with England.

The big bonspiel is still creating great interest. Play is now under way in three events. Many crack Winnipeg rinks are shut out of the grand challenge by outsiders.

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CONDITIONS IN CRETE.

The Greek Flag Hoisted—General Callapse on the Russian Bourse.

Advance of Royal Niger Expedition—The Kaiser's Projects—Fire in Russia.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. George N. Curzon, under foreign secretary, said nothing had been heard by the government of the formation of a provisional government in Crete. It is reported that the Greek flag has been hoisted in Retimo and that order in that place is rapidly being restored.

To-day's session of the legislative chamber in Athens was a stormy one, Deputy Stais making a violent attack upon the ministry because of the governmental policy with reference to Crete. There was a lively scene during the discussion of the subject, tremendous excitement following an exchange of words between Deputy Stais and Col. Smolenits, the minister of war. Personal encounters between various depusies were only prevented by the intervention of friends.

A despatch from Cologne, Germany, says the Kolnische Zeitung declares that the attempt of Greece to annex Crete will not succeed. France, it is asserted, may favor the design, but the Dreibund and Russia have agreed to maintain the status quo.

A despatch from St. Petersburg to the Times says that a panic occurred on the bourse yesterday (Tuesday), the general collapse was due, it is asserted, to the rumors of war troubles in Crete and at Constantinople and to the spread of the Bubonic plague. Petroleum shares have fallen specially low, because of fears that the plague will reach the Caucasian regions.

A special from Canea says that the commanders of the foreign men-of-war now concentrated off the Island of Crete have notified the captains of the Greek warships that no isolated action on the part of the Greeks, such as bombarding the town or the landing of troops will be permitted.

A despatch to the Times from Constantinople says that the ambassadors appeared more hopeful and confident, and that the insurrection on the Island of Crete will speedily subside. The representative of the powers at Constantinople are averse to giving their consent to the despatch of Turkish troops to Canea as desired by Abdul Hamid. The Sultan and the Porte therefore will send the Turkish warship and a transport to the Island of Crete for the present.

A dispatch to the Times from Paris says that it was rumored on the Bourse that the commander of the Greek fleet was with difficulty dissuaded from bombarding the Turkish towns on the Island of Crete.

A dispatch to the Standard from Athens says that an English man-of-war has arrived at Sitia, a town at the eastern extremity of Crete on the north coast, 50 miles east of Cadian, for the purpose of protecting Christians who have been attacked by Mussulmans.

A dispatch from Lagos, on the west coast of Africa, announces that the column of the Royal Niger Company's expedition against the Emir of Nupee, arrived January 25 at a point 12 miles distant from Bida, the Fulah capital. It is reported that the troops had succeeded in driving in the Fulah outposts, killing many. A battle was expected on the morrow, and it was thought that the town of Bida would be bombarded the day following, or January 27.

A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from Vienna confirms the report that Michael Munkaczy, the celebrated artist, is hopelessly insane. The doctors say that the paralysis is increasing rapidly and that hopes for his recovery are very remote.

President Faure to-day signed the appointments of Mr. William Danna, the American painter, and Mr. Rodman Wanamaker as foreign officers of the Legion of Honor.

Fire has broken out in the naptha district of Baku. Twenty-nine boring platforms and five depots, containing a million poods of naptha, have been destroyed.

The newspapers of Berlin announce that the Emperor William, at a parliamentary dinner given by Dr. Miquel, minister of finance, strongly urged that the strength of the German navy be increased, and advocated a coalition of the Conservatives, Imperialists, Nationalists and Liberals in order to carry out this patriotic work, saying: "If this highly important object is to be attained, all differences must be put aside."

A despatch to the Telegraph from Berlin says that the National Zeitung has made an angry attack on England, which country the journal accuses of being desirous of forwarding its own policy by allowing free action to the Russian-French desire for the formation of a Greek empire, Great Britain thus hoping to gain her ends through the outbreak over the Cretan troubles.

Mr. John Lowles, Conservative member for the Haggerston division of Shoreditch, moved in the House of Commons that the pauper alien question receive the instant attention of the government. After several speeches had been made in support of the motion the president of the board of trade, Mr. C. T. Ritchie, said that the government recognized the importance of the matter and hoped soon to be able to introduce legislation on the subject.

The previous reports and statements of Captain-General Weyler announcing the pacification of the Province of Pinar del Rio and the almost complete disappearance of the insurgents in that part of the island, are far from being born out by the facts. When the Spanish commander made the remarks referred to if Pinar del Rio were as quiet as he stated, what has become of the arms, horses, ammunition and stores of the 7,000 men whom he admitted were under arms there. As a matter of fact the insurgent forces in Pinar del Rio seem better off, more thoroughly equipped and better disciplined than at any previous state of the campaign.

Sir Charles Dilke, advanced Liberal member for the Forest of Dean division of Gloucestershire, declared that the Liberals would oppose such legislation. The house, later, was counted out.

The Spanish troops, during a number of skirmishes recently in the provinces of Pinar del Rio, Havana and Matanzas, captured eight insurgent camps and destroyed eighty houses. The enemy in these engagements left 20 men killed and retired with their wounded. The well known leader Jose Manuel del Gado has been killed in a skirmish at Tovar, province of Matanzas. The government force upon this occasion lost two men and had one officer and nineteen soldiers wounded.

DISTRESS IN INDIA.

Another Terrible Tale of Starvation and Suffering—Pitiable Conditions.

The Greatest Famine of the Century—Cholera Has Broken Out.

JUBBULPOOR, Feb. 9.—On the way to this city a special representative of the Associated Press, who is examining into the famine situation in India, visited the poor districts at Bilaspur and Katnip (the former is the capital of the district of that name which has a population of over 715,000 and an area of about 2,000 square miles). The people were found in a deplorable condition, the buildings were overcrowded and medical attendance was lacking. A man outside one of them was dead and another dying. A girl six years of age weighed only ten pounds and several adults were under fifty-six pounds in weight. The skin in all cases was drawn over the face showing the outline of the skulls, and the limbs and joints had the appearance of articulated skeletons. That the conditions of these people was pitiable is proved by the immense immigration to the Azom tea gardens. Sixteen hundred persons are drafted there weekly deserting wives and families.

Jubbulpoor is the worst part of Central India. It is estimated that the present famine is the greatest of the century and will greatly surpass that of 1876, both in area and severity. The famine belt extends to Rawal Pindi and Bellary, and is 1,300 miles long and 400 miles wide. This is apart from the scattered districts. In all the rice districts there is no chance of a food supply until September. The governmen will thus be forced to support nearly all the population for six months and many of them for eight months. Whole villages are deserted.

The government's policy at first was rather to ignore the famine. It is now alive to the danger ond strenuous efforts are being made to avert the rerrible disaster, but it will have to recover lost time and owing to the scarcity of the previous three years the people will easily succumb. Out of the 750,000 inhabitants of Jubbulpoor, about 120,000 are receiving relief. By the month of May this number will be doubled. The correspondent has just heard that the Kursi poor-houses of the western part of the district have been burned. Twenty-five persons perished. Cholera is reported to have broked out in the Mandid district.

NEWS OF THE DOMINION.

(Special to the Colonist.)

Extensive Seizure of Contraband.

CORNWALL, Feb. 9.—The smuggling of cigars and tobacco from the United States has been going on extensively at this place for some time past. About four o'clock this morning Detective Criter and Customs Officer John Cline secreted themselves near the residence of a Cornwall township farmer and watched a couple of men load a sleigh with some 300 pounds of tobacco and 40 boxes of cigars. When the men went inside to get their overcoats, the officers jumped into the sleight and drove it off to the customs house. The team, sleigh and load will be confiscated.

His Excellency's Holiday.

MONTREAL, Feb. 9.—His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada, accompanied by Lady Aberdeen and suite, will leave for Nashville, Tenn., on Friday, in their private car, to attend the wedding of Hon. Archibald Majoribanks, son of Lord Tweedmouth and brother to Lady Aberdeen, to Miss Missye Brown, of that place. His Excellency has been given permission to absent himself from Canada for this purpose.

Steamship Line Sold.

MONTREAL, Feb. 9.—The Beaver line steamers have been sold to Peterson, Tait & Co.

Indian Famine Fund in Toronto.

TORONTO, Feb. 9.—The council of the board of trade has opened an Indian famine fund.

Held Up in Montreal.

MONTREAL, Feb. 9.—Charles Drinkwater, secretary of the Canadian Pacific railway, was held up to-night by footpads on Sherbroke street, the most fashionable street in the city, and robbed of his watch and money. He was struck across the head and badly injured by a piece of lead pipe and is confined to his house. There have been several such cases lately.

THERE IS NO NEW DEAL.

No Deviation From the Agreement With Premier Greenway—The Oldest Orangeman.

Departmental Changes—Arrival of B. C. Delegates—The Crow's Nest Railway.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 9.—John Brown, probably the oldest Orangeman in Canada, died at Carp village, near here, last week. He was 89 years old, and had been a member of the order for seventy-seven years.

The ministers to-day confirmed the COLONIST's dispatch that there had been no new deal on the school question, and say the agreement made with Mr. Greenway will not be deviated from. Acquiescence in any change would be an admission of error on their part. The Archbishop did not see the Premier on his recent visit here.

A citizens' meeting was held to-night to arrange for the proper celebration of the diamond jubilee of Her Majesty. His Worship was authorized to appoint a representative committee to carry out the details.

Hon. Mr. Fisher proposes to re-organize the patents branch and may suggest the abolition of the office of deputy commissioner.

Messrs. Maxwell, Milne, and McInnes, father and son, arrived here to-night. Mr. McDonnel will be here to-morrow. They will see Hon. Mr. Blair at noon re a railway from the coast to the eastern boundary. It is evident they arrived just in time, as it is announced that the government will consider the Crow's Nest Pass railway matter this week or next.

Sir Charles Ross, Bart, is here the guest of Lord Aberdeen.

Rev. Father Lacoste, professor of Theology in the Ottawa University, has been appointed a member of the Academy of Letters at Rome. The Academy has only thirty members. There are ten of them in Italy. Father Lacoste is the only member in America. It is a distinguished honor to be a member of this Academy. Father Lacoste studied at Rome.

NOTES FROM OTTAWA.

Crow's Nest Pass Railway—Minister Sifton's Pet—Ministers Have No Hope of Reciprocity.

OTTAWA, Feb. 9.—The stock raisers of Alberta, who have had a monopoly of supplying cattle food to Rossland district, have protested to the government against the new international quarantine regulations.

A meeting of the cabinet will be held this week to consider the policy of building the Crow's Nest Pass railway. Several propositions are before the government and it is likely that one of them will be adopted in a few days.

It is rumored that Colonial Secretary Chamberlain has asked that a number of Northwest Mounted Police of Canada be sent over to England next summer to take part in the celebration at the Diamond Jubilee.

J. A. Smart, of Brandon, has arrived to receive an appointment promised him by Hon. Mr. Sifton. He is now conferring with the minister of justice. Both Mr. Burgess, deputy of the interior department, and Hayter Reed, deputy superintendent of Indian affairs, are said to be in danger of having their offices transferred to Smart. Mr. Sifton is undoubtedly pressing his colleagues to consent to an opening being made, but, so far, Messrs. Laurier, Mowat and Scott are resisting. If they finally consent to the decapitation of the occupants of the offices promised Mr. Smart, it is possible Lord Aberdeen may object.

A. W. Fraser, on behalf of the mine owners around Rat Portage, had an interview on Saturday with the Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs. There is an Indian reserve which abuts on Rat Portage on account of which miners who are married will not bring their families to the place. In the event, moreover, of a brawl resulting in an Indian killing a miner, the affair was, it is said, sure to be exaggerated and a report get out that the Indians had risen and were massacring whites and such a report would do incalculable harm in frightening away British capital. The mine owners want the Indians moved to another reserve.

It is admitted that the mission of Sir Richard Cartwright and Hon. L. H. Davies to Washington will result in nothing more than a complete demonstration of the fact that no reciprocity treaty can be anticipated with the United States whilst the new regime is in power. It is stated by ministers that there was little hope of any entente being achieved, but it was desirable to ascertain that fact, and this has been done. The effect of the American tariff increasing duties on agricultural produce is not regarded as an unmixed evil. It will tend to develop trade with the empire by making the English market almost the only one for Canadian produce. It is not expected that the Canadian ministers will long delay their return.

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BISMARCK'S OPINION.

What the Iron Chancellor Thinks of the Principle of International Arbitration.

The Present Agitation a Sign of How Humanity Has Been Advancing.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The World, under a London date, has a long interview with Prince Bismarck by a correspondent called by appointment with Count Rantzau, a son-in-law of the prince, who enjoys the closest and most confidential relations with the great chancellor. The World requested an expression of opinion from Prince Bismarck on international arbitration; whether, in the great diplomatist's view, it is especially desired by the world, in a purely academic or theoretic sense; whether such a treaty, if ratified, would be likely to bear the strain of a grave international rupture—in short, whether serious difficulties between the nations might not in future be settled by arbitration instead of war.

Prince Bismarck's answer, made through Count Rantzau, was on the merits of the treaty now pending in the senate of the United States the Prince has not a word to say. He wishes it understood that the opinion he now expresses is purely theoretical or academical in respect to arbitration disputes between nations, not as an expression upon the merits of the peace treaty agreed upon, but not ratified, between Great Britain and the United States. On this point he wishes to make no expression. Prince Bismarck declares emphatically that he detests war, though he has been driven to advocate it where there have been no other means to solve disputes, and where the fate of the Fatherland was involved. Arbitration would certainly have been preferred could they have expected the decision to have been a success and considered to be just.

"In private life," Prince Bismarck's statement continued, "the value of any agreement between different persons, however precise the wording, depends entirely on the character of the contracting parties, and even then there are law courts to appeal to whenever differences arise. But where is there a law court—any law court, in fact—which could eventually enforce the sentence in the case of two great nations entering into a treaty of arbitration?

"No statesman in this world is so powerful as to be able to command the voice of the people in certain emergencies. No arbitration treaties will ever succeed in abolishing war as the sole means of settlement of a dispute when the whole future of a nation is believed by its people to depend on the way the issue is settled.

"The terrors of modern warfare," continued the Iron Chancellor's statement, "the uncertainty as to what the end will be, will do more, at present at least, to prevent war than any treaties could do. Once the people are educated enough to comprehend war and its double-edged sword, the aggressors often being the losers, then war will cease. The present agitation in Great Britain and the United States in favor of international arbitration proves how humanity has advanced. It is applauded for that reason, if nothing else."

U. S. PENSION REFORM.

Important Reduction in the Number of Agencies—The Order to Go Into Effect on September 1.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The President has signed, on the recommendation of Secretary of the Intertor Francis, an important order, reducing the number of pension agencies in the United States from eighteen to nine. The object is to effect a considerable saving without inconveniencing the pensioners. The secretary demonstrates that by this reduction of the pension agencies the cost of disbursement of pensions can be reduced by at least $150,000 per annum.

The change was made possible by an amendment to the law governing the disbursing of pensions, which amendment was approved March 23, 1896. It required that all pensioners should after that date be paid by checks remitted by mail. Reports from the pension agencies, in reply to inquiries as to the operation of the new law, was to the effect that under it the pensioners are paid much more promptly; that possibility of error is minimized, and that, upon the whole, it is much more satisfactory to pensioners than the former law.

The agents also advise that the pensioners receive their pensions when remitted by mail at their homes, where, being surrounded by family influences, the pensioner is much more likely to make a judicious disposition of his pension money. Under the previous law many pensioners collected their quarterly payments in person, and under the influence of bad associations were often induced to apply these payments unwisely and to deprive their families of the benefits thereof.

The executive order will go into effect September 1 next, its execution having been postponed until that date in order that no pensioner should suffer inconvenience in consequence of delay in receiving his pension, and give ample time for the removal of the rolls and records from the agencies discontinued.

REVIVING INDUSTRY.

How Pennsylvania Iron and Steel Works Are Progressing.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 9.—The Dispatch says: A revival of industry is beginning upon the Monongahela which it is expected will result in soon placing every manufacturing plant in full operation. The Homestead Steel Works, of the Carnegie Company, has started up all departments, giving employment to 4,000 men. The Westinghouse Electric Works, at East Pittsburg, will operate in all departments both day and night turns. The Westinghouse machine works and the air brake works at Wilmerding, will go into full operation this week. The Edgar Thomson Steel Works has resumed in full. The Pittsburg Wire Works, at Braddock, will resume in all departments this week. The rod and steel and the copper wire and nail departments have started. The National Tube Works at McKeesport are operating to three-fourths capacity, but the firm expects, within a few weeks, to get all departments on full time. The Duquesne Steel Works has started up in full blast. The firm reports that the business outlook, so far as quantity of work is concerned, is good, but that low prices still prevail.

ARBITRATION TREATY.

Discussion in the Senate—Mr. Sherman Anxious That a Vote Shall Be Reached.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The Anglo-American arbitration treaty was under consideration by the senate from 1 o'clock to 5:30 yesterday. The entire proceedings were in executive session and behind closed doors. The first half of the session was spent in debating a motion introduced by Senator Hill to consider the treaty in open senate, and the most animated part of the proceedings was based upon this motion. The debate was characterized by sharp passages-at-arms between the author of the motion and Senators Morgan, Lodge and Sherman, the three last named contending strenuously for the observance of the custom of secresy in dealing with the treaty. The only vote was secured on the Hill motion, which was defeated the count showing only nine for and 49 against. It is claimed that the straight Republican vote is solidly in favor of ratification and that a fraction at least of all the other elements will be found in that column when the vote is announced.

When the senate took up the treaty upon its merits, Senator Sherman, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, spoke for about an hour, making a strong plea for ratification, which he urged was the realization of a dream long cherished in the United States. He quoted historical works and congressional reports to show that arbitration was a distinctly American policy and referred to the resolutions of 1889 and 1893. He also explained the amendments made by the committee on foreign relations and defended the main amendments as essential to the proper understanding and interpretation of the agreement.

Senator Sherman urged that the determination did not detract from the treaty's scope, except that through removing the Monroe doctrine from arbitration, it also removed the question of the Nicaragua canal, which was, he said, embraced in the Monroe doctrine. He contended for the paramount importance of the treaty, and urged the senate to act upon it without unnecessary delay. He said that the mandement eliminating the King of Sweden and Norway, as umpire, had been made after due deliberation and that this step was only taken as a precaution against unwelcome complications. In conclusion, the senator said that it would be a great mistake for the senate to repudiate the the treaty, a mistake which would forfeit much of the high regard felt toward the United States, as a nation of peace-lovers, and which might exert a serious influence upon the progress of the world in the settlement of diputes without resorting to the atrocities of war.

Senator Morgan, in reply to Mr. Sherman dwelt with especial emphasis upon the sweeping character of the treaty, claiming that in delegating to the President the right to determine for this country the circumstances under which arbitration shall be resorted to, it robbed congress of a prerogative especially conferred upon it.

In reply to a question from Senator Vest, he said that he believed the ratification of the treaty would amount to an abrogation of the right of the senate to co-operate with the executive in the making of treaties.

Senator Morgan further said there probably were few Americans who would be willing to announce themselves as opposed to the principle of arbitration, but it did not follow that everyone must swallow the first measure presented, which professed to put into execution this method of settling disputes between nations. He said that it behooved all persons to regard with especial caution the overtures of Great Britain in such an interest, and remarked that the Island Kingdom had never been especially known for her devotion to the welfare of the United States.

Intimations were given of several amendments other than those proposed by the committee on foreign relations, among others, one definitely withdrawing the Alaskan boundary as a subject of arbitration, and another, modifying the clause in regard to the arbitration of claims affecting the various states which some regard as unconstitutional in its present shape. Mr. Sherman gave notice that he would ask the senate to take up the question again to-morrow, and "sit it out."

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—An open letter to the women of the United States, urging them to use all the means in their power to further the passage of the arbitration treaty with Great Britain, has been issued. It is signed by a number of well known women. Mothers and wives are asked to oppose amendments which would cripple the efficiency of the treaty by writing to their senators, holding meetings and sending petitions to Washington.

EDISON'S LATEST.

A Light That Will Reveal to the Medical Man the Slightest Derangement in the System.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Thomas A. Edison is about to give to the world another discovery, as wonderful in its way as the fluoroscope, by means of which he will put the X-rays to practical use in revealing the bony structure of the body. Tungstate of calcium not being sufficiently sensitive to transform the strong light discovered by Roentgen to a light that would so illuminate the interior of the human body as to render its most delicate tissues visible, in other words, to make it transparent, Mr. Edison set about to find a crystal that would possess the requisite quality. He has discovered one. It is probable that when he perfects his new discovery the slightest derangement of the system will be revealed to the doctor's sight.

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OTTAWA, 23rd January, 1897.

To His Honor; the Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, Victoria, B.C.:

After consultation with Dominion Ministry, I have undertaken to receive and to transmit contributions from all parts of the Dominion, in aid of the distress in India, and I trust I may have Your Honor's support and co-operation in this national expression of sympathy.

[Signed] ABERDEEN,
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MERCED, Cal. Feb. 9.—On Friday afternoon a tramp named Sheppard was arrested for drunkenness and locked up in one of the cells of the city jail. A few minutes later James Irving, also drunk, was placed in the same cell. Some three hours later Irving's body was found upon the floor of the cell. As there was a red streak around the neck of the dead man and other indications that he had been strangled, Sheppard was removed to the county jail pending an investigation.

At the coroner's inquest Friday night Sheppard testified that he went to sleep after Irving entered the cell and that when he awoke Irving was lying on his stomach with a handkerchief around his neck trying to strangle himself. Sheppard said that he took the handkerchief away from Irving and, after warning him "not to try that again," went to sleep again. On awakening he found Irving dead. The inquest was postponed until last night.

Meanwhile, Dr. Sherman made a careful post mortem examination, and last night testified that Irving was strangled and the marks on his neck were such as might have been made by a piece of baling rope, which Sheppard was wearing as suspenders, but could not have been made with a handkerchief. It also developed that Irving had 30 cents when in jail, whereas only five cents could be found after his death, while Sheppard when transferred to the county jail had about 35 cents. The coroner's jury returned a verdict accusing Sheppard of murder.

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R. P. RITHET.
4th February, 1897. fe5

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To Stop American Trap-Fishers—The Deer Park Compressor—Miners' Association.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 9.—Word was received yesterday by G. I. Wilson and A. E. Shelton of their reappointment on the city licensing board by the Provincial government.

A recent trip to the Kootenays by Mr. A. Jukes, manager of the Imperial Bank, has been explained by the fact that the bank is to shortly open a branch at Revelstoke.

Mr. A. StG. Hammersley, City Solicitor, returned from an extended trip to England, yesterday.

A paper on the Chinese question will be read by Mr. T. S. Baxter before the Young Liberal Club to-morrow night.

Mr. J. W. Weart went east yesterday on mining business.

There is scarcely a house vacant in Vancouver. In fact the only ones empty are those built in the earlier days and thus not so substantial as those of more modern construction. The hotels and boarding houses are also filled as well as the private residences, and still many more are looking for homes and lodging houses. It is feared that next summer there will be scarcely room for Vancouver's population.

A. Pike, a stevedore, fell into the hold of the ship Blairlogie while working on that vessel. He was severely but not dangerously injured.

As far as exhibits are concerned the Vancouver poultry show will be so far ahead of previous years as to be beyond comparison. Two hundred dogs are entered, and there will be a very large exhibit of pigeons.

Billy Williams, an Indian noted for his huge physical proportions and great strength, dropped dead while working on the Hastings mill wharf yesterday. He received extra pay on account of his ability to do more work than any one ordinary man. A post mortem examination revealed the fact that Williams died of heart disease.

J. W. Haskins has returned from San Francisco. Mr. Haskins says that a mill is shortly to be shipped to the Big Bend Orphan Boy property of such portable proportions that it can be packed on the backs of mules. In spite of its lightness it is of the required strength to serve its purposes. The stock of the Orphan Boy is strengthening up in a remarkable way since Mr. Haskins' return. A specimen of Orphan Boy ore recently sent to Thomas Hays, Ontario School of Pharmacy, assayed $210.85. The assay certificate is in the possession of Mr. Garvey of the C.P.R. telegraph company. Other assays still higher than this were obtained by Mr. Haskins in California.

Mr. A. E. Rand, of the famous Athabasca, was in Vancouver yesterday. In an interview Mr. Rand said that the tunnel was now in about 164 feet on the lead that was being worked, and that the same marvellously rich ore was obtained. The company had eight similar leads and they considered that they would all turn out as the one now being worked. If this was the case the Athabasca group was the richest group of mines in British Columbia. Ex-Minister Foster, who is largely interested in the company, is at present at Nelson overseeing development work. The company's mill will be in place as soon as the weather permits, probably some time in May.

Superintendent Veatch, of the Cinnabar Mining Company of Savonas, reports that the company's veins are well marked and profitably workable. He estimates an average return of twenty-five tons of half per cent. ore per day, realizing $125 after payment of expenses, leaving a net return of $50 per diem. He estimates one-half per cent. as a very low average of the ore, and states that the company's prospects were never better than now.

J. Illingsworth is under remand charged with assaulting Capt. Morrison, who claims to be a bailiff, but pleads that that is no sufficient excuse for the alleged eecounter.

The city council received last night yet another query in regard to a smelter bonus. It came this time from Mr. Bonthorne, M.E., managing director of the B.C. Agency, limited. He suggested a per tonnage bonus plus free water and tax exemption, and wanted to know what the council would do.

The Attorney-General has declined to permit the reduction which the city council desires in Police Magistrate Russell's salary.

The city solicitor has given his opinion on several points submitted to him. He holds that the poundkeeper has no right to enter private premises in quest of tagless dogs, but may, if he can, catch them in the street. He has also decided that the city council cannot under its charter charge fish pedlars a license they having probably caught their fish in British Columbia waters as product of the province. He has also decided that the coroner being satisfied the city can do nothing further with the corpse in the scandal case.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, Feb. 9.—Mr. Hugh W. Allan, of Ladner, has died of the grippe in St. Mary's hospital, after two days illness. The disease is very prevalent in and around Westminster, and there are many serious cases in the Fraser valley.

The Automatic Can Company will begin work about March 1.

Mr. Aulay Morrison, M.P., and Mr. D. J. Munn, canner, have been on business to the Sound to aid the passing of the bill introduced in the Washington state legislature with a view to restrict or prohibit trap fishing on the American side of the boundary line, which threatens to deplete the fisheries of the Gulf and the Fraser river.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, Feb. 9.—The following claims have been recorded: Sunshine, Thurlow island, by Alex. Arquet; Marion, Thurlow island, by W. J. Bowser, Vancouver; Crown, Nanoose bay, by James Craig; Island King, Texada island, by W. S. Planta; and Harmonica No. 1, back of the rifle range, by W. H. Crane.

The board of police commissioners at yesterday's meeting refused to dismiss Chief Crossan and Constable Thompson, as requested by the city council, and, furthermore, passed a resolution "regretting that the council should, under the circumstances, make such a request, as the appointing, dismissing and management of the police rests solely with the police commissioners and is a matter over which the municipal council has no control." The council last evening in consequence of this rebuff decided to reduce the pay of the two officers to $5 a month each.

M. Bray, assistant commissioner of lands and works, and J. Bryden, M.P.P., returned on Saturday night from Nanoose district, where they had driven to decide upon a site for the proposed wharf at the northern corner of the district. As the coast in that section is exposed to the full sweep of any northwest storms from the head of Texada island, nothing was definitely decided upon, but surveys will be made at low tide later on in the spring.

The annual meeting of the Miners' and Mine Laborers' Protective Association of Vancouver Island was held in the Odd Fellows' hall on Saturday afternoon and evening. There was a large attendance present. The financial and other statements proving satisfactory were adopted. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Anthony Anderson; vice-president, Charles Santo; secretary and agent, Ralph Smith; treasurer, James Bradley; executive committee, Messrs. R. Greenwall, Alex. Matheson, Wm. Smith, Robert Adam, Andrew Crossan and James Harley. A committee was appointed to draft amendments to the Coal Mines Regulation act. A motion was adopted instructing the secretary to request the provincial authorities to enforce the provision of the anti-Chinese clause of the Coal Mines Regulation act, now that the Full court had declared the same constitutional.

GALIANO.

GALIANO, Feb. 8.—Dr. Friar, arrested last week in Westminster on suspicion of stealing household effects, etc., from a house in the vicinity of Cowichan Gap, was brought up before J. P.'s Robert Grubb and W. H. Mawdesley on, Thursday, but there being no convicting evidence brought against him he was discharged.

ROSSLAND.

(From the Rossland Miner.)

The last assays from the Iron Colt show values of $16. The ore body from which these assays were taken is enormous.

The larger ore body opened up in the drift from the White Bear shaft proved to have an average value of $14. The same vein on the surface and for forty feet down assayed from a trace to $2.

The directors of the Caledonia Consolidated Mining company have decided to reorganize with a capital of $1,000,000. Shareholders have been asked to return their shares, for which they will be issued new stock at the ratio of one and a half shares in the new company for one in the old. This will leave the new company a treasury fund of 250,000 shares.

On the Nickel Plate active development proceeds with vigor and regularity and a depth of over 200 feet has been attained in the main shaft. After the 150-foot level was passed the ledge assumed a very decided dip to the north, but in the last 20 feet of work it has assumed its normal position and is now going down nearly perpendicularly. No. 1 is the only work going on at present, but the appearance of a first-class body of ore gives ground for a belief in the resumption of extensive operations at a very early date. The grade of the ore, which is two feet wide at the bottom of the shaft surpasses anything yet found in the mine.

John Henderson, owner of the Denmark and Beaver claims on Sullivan creek, which have been incorporated under the title of the Queen Victoria Gold Mining company, says they have 55 feet of tunnel, which is going through a lead 65 feet. An assay is made to every two feet, the last one showing $24.80 in gold. The property is within seven miles of Rossland, and is close to the Heather Bell group, of which Mr. Henderson was the locator.

The Kate L., a promising property in the Ainsworth district, has been bonded by I. N. Knight, of Trail.

Harry Ross, clerk at the Crown Point, has gone to Rossland to collect $8,500 from the sale of the Hunter and Trapper mine in the Lardeau country.

At the Deer Park the timber gang has full sway, and there are for the present no men engaged in mining. The site for the compressor, which is on the way from the factory at Sherbrooke, Que., has been cleared and graded. The compressor is expected to arrive daily.

A very important strike has been made in the Evening Star, which shows up a first class body of pay ore. When Mr. Nichols assumed control he decided to sink on a body of pay ore, known to be in sight on what is supposed to be the Colonna lead. Unlike the general run of the arsenical iron ore on the Evening Star, the ore shows a goodly smattering of copper, and sample assays give proof that the ore body is of pay value.

The Canadian Pacific, Great Northern and Northern Pacific railway companies are each bidding to get control of the Spokane Falls & Northern, the Nelson & Fort Sheppard, and the Red Mountain railways. The American roads have a little advantage in that they can practically parallel the line to Spokane, and thus make the longest arm of the Corbin system of less value either to the Corbin people or to the Canadian Pacific. The parts the Canadian Pacific most want are the Nelson & Fort Sheppard and the Red Mountain. These could readily become links in the system of the Canadian Pacific.

(From the Rossland Record.)

Mr. G. A. Jordan, of Vancouver, is here, probably to locate permanently.

The option taken some time ago by Montreal people on the Rossland water and light plant will not be taken up. Definite word to that effect has been received. W. S. Norman, who went to Montreal to close the deal, is now trying to organize a company to bring electric power from the Pend d'Oreille river.

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MAY SELL LE ROI MINE.

President Turner on the Prospect of Disposing of the Property.

Rumors have been again afloat that negotiations are still on for the sale of the Le Roi mine to Eastern or English investors, says the Spokane Review. Color was given to the report by the fact that there was a meeting at the office of the mining company Saturday evening, at which were present some of the officers and directors of the company, and, it is understood, two representatives of the would-be purchasers. One of these gentlemen is from Rossland and the other is from England or Toronto.

"Is it true that there was a meeting at the office of the mine?" was asked of Colonel Turner, president of the Le Roi company.

"Two gentlemen were there, if you call that a meeting."

"Was their visit in connection with offers for the Le Roi?"

"That I cannot say?"

"The refusal of the company to accept $4,000,000 for the property still stands, does it not?"

"Yes."

"And there is no likelihood of your selling at all?"

"Not at that price."

"But you would sell if you got your price, would you not?"

"Oh, why, of course, if we got our price; but we would not sell for $4,000,000; nothing less than $5,000,000.

"Would you sell at that price?"

"Of course, I cannot say, but I think we would."

All this would seem to indicate that the negotiations for the purchase of the mine are still on, and that if the question of the amount can be settled, another of the big Trail Creek properties will pass into other hands, leaving a large amount of purchase money in Spokane.

It is the general belief that the two gentlemen who are doing the negotiating represent either Toronto or London capitalists.

Colonel Turner refused to say who the gentlemen who were at the office Saturday night were or whom they represented. He did not deny that the object of the meeting was to talk over a sale, and he gave out the impression that nothing had been definitely decided.

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This is likely to prove one of the bonanzas of British Columbia. There are four claims, the Athabasca, Alberta, Algoma and Manitoba. Mr. Albert J. Hill, M A M.E., M. Can. Soc. C.E., in his report says in part: "Seven ledges of free milling ore have been opened on the property, varying in thickness from one to eight feet. In every opening I detected free gold."

"Ledge No. 1, as shown approximately on the sketch plan, varies in thickness from two to four feet. It is opened by shafts at three points and a twenty-five foot tunnel driven on the lead and is traced on the strike for about 600 feet. Some fifteen to twenty tons of ore are lying on the several dumps, a certified assay of which gives $207.45 per ton, of which $201.00 is gold and $6.45 silver, though picked specimens which I have examined would evidently give very many times that value, and I think I am well within the limit of probability when I suggest a general average of $200.00 per ton, while the average of the ledge will be, I believe fully $100.00 to the ton."

It will be seen from the foregoing extracts from the report that the Company has not been incorporated on a mere "prospect," but that it has a valuable and proven property. It may also be mentioned that other assays obtained from the quartz of the Athabasca, in addition to that referred to above, have given $96.00 $294.00, $360.00, $446.00, $9,800, and $17,760 to the ton.

The Brokers for this Company thought so much of the property after making most searching investigations, that they purchased for themselves a large block of the stock.

About $10,000 in cash is now available for active development work, consequently all the men that can be employed are now working on the property. Estimates for the machinery required are now being invited. 50,000 shares only of the Treasury stock are offered for sale at 25 cents, 10,000 of which will be sold here, the balance in the East.

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Takes effect December 24th, 1896.

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JOHN IRVING, Manager
G. A. CARLETON, General Agent.
Victoria, January 1st.

VICTOR JENSEN, deceased.—This is to give notice that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at the next sitting, for a transfer of the license for the Boomerang Hotel, Court Alley, to sell wine, beer and spirits by retail, now standing in the name of Victor Jensen, to myself, Sarah Jensen.

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Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	8:00	3:20
Ar. Nanaimo	11:40	6:38
Ar. Wellington	12:00	6:55

GOING SOUTH.

	Daily	Sat'day
	A.M.	P.M.
Lv. Wellington for Victoria	8:20	3:30
Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8:40	3:45
Ar. Victoria	12:20	7:00

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A QUESTION DISPOSED OF.

It is quite evident that there will be no reciprocity treaty with the United States this year. We do not know that this is wholly a matter of regret. A reciprocity treaty framed on just lines would be an excellent thing for Canada, but we can get along without it. Thirty-two years have passed since the old treaty expired and Canada has in the meantime greatly advanced in wealth, commercial importance and material progress. The business of the country is on a very solid foundation and to all appearances the threshold of a new era has been reached. Canadians have no occasion to feel ashamed of the history of the last three decades or to indulge in anything but the liveliest hope over the prospects for the future. With reciprocity certain interests would be materially advanced. The coal and timber industries, for example, have everything to gain from free access to the United States market. British Columbia and the Maritime provinces are especially concerned about this. An open market across the border for farm produce would mean much for Ontario and all the Eastern provinces. There are other lines of industry which would gain if the customs barrier were removed. There are also many lines of imports which it would be of advantage to our people to obtain duty free. Without further particularizing it may be said that anything which tends to stimulate trade between two countries, so situated in respect to each other as Canada and the United States, must be beneficial to both. All this may be and is, in fact, admitted by every one, Conservative and Liberal alike; yet reciprocity is not necessary to Canadian progress.

We have said that we do not regard the fruitlessness of the Davies-Cartwright mission to Washington wholly with regret. Reciprocity has been a favorite theme with the Liberals. They have made much complaint against the Conservatives for allowing so many years to elapse without securing it. They have made it a plank in their platform. They have given at least a very strong color to the claim, made by their political opponents in this country and the anti-British element among our neighbors, that in the opinion of the Liberal party the prosperity of Canada was virtually in the hands of the United States. We shall probably hear less of this hereafter. We shall probably find the Liberal party more concerned with the development of our commerce on Canadian and British lines than they have hitherto been. If this is the effect of the acknowledged failure of the mission to Washington, the country may congratulate itself upon the fact that the ministers went there. It will be welcome news that the Liberals have ceased to look southward for the rising sun of prosperity. It will be still more welcome news to be told that they have resolved upon a policy of Canadian development.

We venture the suggestion that the failure of the mission to Washington was not unexpected by the ministry. Indeed it is not very easy to see how any other result could have been looked for. A few leading American papers and a very few leading American public men have expressed themselves in favor of reciprocity with Canada, but their voices have been drowned by the chorus of opposition which has been raised on all hands. The habit of the ruling element in American politics, in speaking of Canada, is to characterize it as a country of paupers. Even in the neighboring state of Washington, where they ought to know better, the papers contrast the "pauper" labor of British Columbia with what they are pleased to call their own well paid workmen, in utter defiance of the fact that wages on the whole are considerably better in this province than in the neighboring state and the price of all kinds of produce is higher. In view of this wilful ignoring on the part of our next door neighbors of facts which they must shut their eyes to avoid seeing, the entire misconception of the industrial position of the Dominion, which characterizes the people of the United States as a rule, ceases to be a matter of surprise. To suppose the Laurier ministry to be ignorant of this attitude of our neighbors towards us is to suppose them blind to what everyone else sees, and hence we conclude that Messrs. Davies and Cartwright went to Washington on a somewhat perfunctory task. After all that has been said the ministry could hardly meet parliament without doing something in the direction of a reciprocity treaty, even though they knew no real progress could be made. The mission and its failure removes a will-o'-the-wisp from the parliamentary atmosphere and ministers and members will have nothing to distract their minds from the development of the basal principle of the National Policy of Sir John Macdonald.

EGYPT AND THE POWERS.

The Egyptian question is likely to assume an acute stage before very long, unless France takes a very much more reasonable position than she seems inclined to assume at present. In retiring from the joint-occupation of Egypt, France threw the whole responsibility for the administration of the affairs of that country upon Great Britain. This responsibility was not sought by the Imperial authorities, but when the alternative presented itself of choosing between permitting a chaotic condition of affairs to be inaugurated and maintaining an orderly government with British bayonets, the latter was adopted without hesitation and with the approval of the best minds in all civilized countries. British supervision of Egyptian affairs has produced excellent results; the credit of the country is excellent; the condition of the people is greatly improved and the prestige of the Egyptian government is being restored throughout Northern Africa. In order to preserve order on the Southern frontier the Nile expedition for the overthrow of the Khalifa became necessary. This was undertaken by an Egyptian force with the co-operation of a British contingent. It has cost well on to a million pounds sterling. The original intention was that the Egyptian sinking fund should be drawn upon to meet the expense; but this fund is in the control of a joint commission upon which the great powers are represented. A majority of the Commissioners were content that the fund should be so used, but when the matter came before the Court of Appeals, French influence prevailed, and it was held that the decision of the Commissioners was contrary to the terms of the trust. Nothing was left the British government but to go on with the expedition and meet the expense itself. Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, chancellor of the exchequer, in moving for the vote for that purpose declared that the Court of Appeals had taken an absurd position, and that next year a greater question would arise as to how far it could be allowed to interfere in matters of this nature. This sounds very much like a notice to the powers that the joint control of the Egyptian finances may be terminated. Certainly Sir Michael was sufficiently outspoken when he said that Great Britain could not be forced out of Egypt by any such hindrances as the refusal of money. It has been for some time evident that the relation between Egypt and the powers would have to be readjusted.

PRINCE BISMARCK is a believer in blood and iron and it is not surprising that he believes the terrors of war are preferable to arbitration treaties as a means of preserving the peace. It is by no means certain that the Bismarckian policy, which is largely responsible for the militarism now dominating Europe, has been anything like the good thing which his admirers claim. It has been the cause of more international heart burnings, more bloodshed, more misery and more taxation than anything since the days of Napoleon. Progressive nations will not kneel at the feet of the Iron Chancellor to take lessons in statesmanship.

IN an article entitled "Business Problems," the Toronto Globe refers to the necessity for some legislation "to protect the public against the gross deception which is being practised under foreign charters, whereby a thimble-rig business is being done under cover of absolute absence of responsibility on the part of promoters, and unhappily good names are associated with concerns which would not be found there were the ordinary responsibilities attaching to joint stock concerns operating in these." Our Toronto contemporary thinks that any representations which the boards of trade may make on this subject will gain an attentive hearing at Victoria. The Globe is not surprised that companies are formed in the state of Washington to carry on business in this province, but thinks the fact of promoters going to distant states for articles of incorporation calls for some explanation. It does not regard the registration of foreign companies in this province as affording a guarantee of anything. It suggests that the sale of promoters' shares simultaneously with development shares ought to be absolutely prohibited, and seems to favor the extension of such prohibition until the shipping of ore has begun, or at least until some specific event has taken place which shall be designated in the prospectus as the limit of the period of prohibiton.

SOME pressure is being brought to bear upon the Dominion government to extend the Intercolonial Railway from Levis to Montreal. The Grand Trunk already affords direct and unbroken rail connection between the two points, and the Canadian Pacific has its line to Quebec where connection is made with the Intercolonial by ferry. It seems as though with so many parts of the country without any railway communication it is premature to talk of a third line between these points.

EDISON has discovered a new crystal that vastly extends the possibility of the Roentgen rays, but declines to make its name public. If it has such a name as the platinocyanide of barium which Roentgen used in his experiments, let us hope he will re-christen it before taking the public into his confidence any further.

ACCORDING to the Inland Sentinel the COLONIST, "unblushingly gives utterance to self-evident falsehoods," and it proceeds to add the pleasant assurance that "this is a course we cannot but despise." This is very sad. Now, will the Sentinel kindly tell us what it is endeavoring to get at?

REPORTS have been current in the East and have found place in some of the papers to the effect that American mine owners in Rossland discriminated against Canadian workmen. Our advices are that there is no foundation for this claim, and we are very glad to be able to so state.

THE news from Ottawa that the ministry is going to decide within a short time upon its policy in regard to the Crow's Nest Pass railway is likely true, for a matter of that kind can hardly be left in abeyance until after parliament meets.

THE indications are that there will be the liveliest kind of a fight in congress over the lumber schedule in the proposed new tariff. An increasing number of Americans want Canadian lumber duty free.

KEEP your eyes on the Northwest Coast and Vancouver Island. Gold mines within a stone's throw of salt water are among the possibilities of the near future in British Columbia.

THE city policemen want an increase of pay. The request is one that every taxpayer would be glad to see complied with if the condition of the city's finances will permit.

THE esteemed Times does not like the Speech. If the Times did like the Speech, Othello's occupation would be gone.

A RIFLE RANGE is a good thing; but a rifle range in a dangerous locality is a very bad thing.

CANADIAN PRESS.

THE FUTURE OF KAMLOOPS.

Rossland, now a flourishing town of some 6,000 people, had no better prospects two years ago than has Kamloops to-day, in fact, we are within the mark in saying that they were not anything like so promising. It must be remembered that conditions which retarded progress at Trail Creek do not exist here. There is no lack of transportation facilities, our season is far longer and our hills are easier to prospect.—Inland Sentinel.

THE TRUCK SYSTEM.

It destroys independence in the working man who has to buy his clothes, etc., where he is told and has to take what is given him. It makes him more of a machine and less of a man when he is commanded to eat here, sleep there, and, if he must, get drunk somewhere else. It unfairly competes with private enterprise, which cannot, as it does, force a patronage.—Kootenay Mail.

AND WHY NOT?

If the number of claims and prospects registered at the present moment in British Columbia and Western Ontario should turn out to be one-tenth as good as their enthusiastic promoters think they are, Canada would become the greatest gold producing country in the world.—Winnipeg News-Bulletin.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

Orderly—"The scouts are all in, sir." Weyler (expectantly)—"Have they discovered the whereabouts of the Cuban army?" Orderly—"No, sir." Weyler (fervently) "Thank God!"—Judge.

Mabel—Your husband has a great opinion of you. He calls you his right hand. Maud—You; that's because he never lets his right hand know what his left hand doeth.—London Pick-Me-Up.

The Minister—My dear madam, let this thought console you for your husband's death: Remember that other and better men than he have gone the same way. Bereaved Widow—They haven't all gone, have they? London Tit-Bits.

"And madame," said the professor, "how did you come to get into the new journalism?" "Well," she replied, "I poisoned my husband and five children and was acquitted on the insanity plea, after which I wrote up a three-page story about it, mostly exclusive. It was a great piece of work, I assure you."—Cleveland Leader.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

A published interview credits Mr. Semlin with being opposed to the introduction of Dominion issues into Provincial politics. It is not easy to point out how any good result can come from dividing the house upon federal lines. There are matters of provincial policy, weighty enough in their bearing upon the welfare of the people, to occupy the attention of the voters without distracting their minds at local elections with issues relating to Manitoba, Quebec or any of the other provinces, or those broader questions which affect the Dominion as a whole.

Mr. Kellie has put some interesting notices on the motion paper. He will ask for information as to the incorporation of mining companies, the production of precious metals in Kootenay during the year, and some other subjects of that class. This will be very useful when the Companies' Act comes to be dealt with and matters relating to Kootenay and the mining interests generally are under consideration.

There are a few little differences in legislative routine between the practice of our provincial assembly and that of some of the others. For example, the public accounts were distributed without any formal message from the Lieutenant-Governor. In some of the provinces the accounts are withheld until the Governor's speech has been disposed of.

To some Easterners the fact that Mr. Speaker does not wear his hat looks like an attempt to destroy the pillars of the constitution. The absence of a silk gown is remarked by these people, but it can be overlooked, for the Deputy Speaker does not usually attire himself in silk. But the hat—the glossy silk tile, which is always on Mr. Speaker's head when he is sitting down and never for one moment when he is standing up—seems to be as much a necessary part of the legislative machinery in the effete East as the mace, and everyone knows the country would go to smash without the mace.

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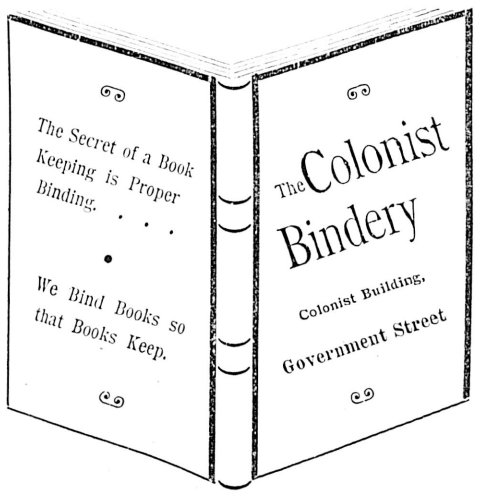

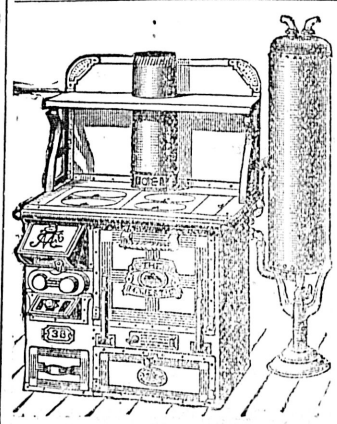

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THE CITY.

THE Delaware Mining Co.'s stock is now quoted at 12½ cents per share.

THERE is to be a meeting of the Y.W. C.T.U. at the home of Mrs. Gordon Grant this evening.

OWING to the illness of Magistrate Macrae, which will prevent his resuming his official duties during the present week, there will be no session of the small debts court to-day.

If you have beauty
I will take it—
If you have none
I will make it.
Savannah, Photo. x

THE steamer Dunsmuir liberated a number of Nanaimo homing pigeons in the gulf Sunday, twenty-five miles out. They flew as straight as arrows to their owners after going to a sufficient altitude to get their bearings.

ON Friday Henry Wm. Christian Meyer, Q.C., one of the leaders of the Calgary bar, died at Banff, where he had gone for his health some time ago. The deceased was a brother of Mr. J. T. L. Meyer of this city and a son of the late Ludwig Meyer, clerk of the court at Seaforth, Ontario.

ENGLAND'S great illustrated weekly, The Graphic, has of late contained several articles of special interest to this Western world, and which have been particularly appreciated here—notably a short account of the Stanley-Pooley wedding, and another of the sitting of the Behring Sea claims commission, both suitably illustrated.

THE Lawrence cafe has been a very strong attraction for the past few days. The place has been crowded with sightseers and customers, and on Monday, opening day, the sidewalk in front did not appear large enough to accommodate those who lingered without waiting their turn to inspect the premises within. An orchestra is now an added attraction.

MEMBERS of the A.O.U.W. and of No. 1 lodge of I.O.O.F., of which deceased was a member, attended in a body the funeral of the late Edwin Field, which was held yesterday afternoon. The pall bearers were Messrs. J. Yorke, F. Carne, sr., A. Borde, F. Doughty, E. Kermode and G. G. Gawley, and the services at the house and at the grave were conducted by Rev. S. Cleaver.

THE attachment for typewriter machines, which enables the operator to return the carriage and change the line by a simple striking of a key, and which has been patented by Rev. W. W. Baer, will be on exhibition at M. W. Waitt & Co.'s between the hours of 2 and 5 today. It certainly ought to be seen by all operators of typewriters, as it saves time, and "to save time is to prolong life."

A RUMOR that something has happened to Mr. William Ogilvie, the distinguished explorer who had been sent north by the Dominion government last year in connection with the boundary survey between Alaska and Canada, have been set at rest. Mr. Tom Kains yesterday received a letter from Mr. Ogilvie dated Fort Cudahy, November 19, explaining that he was well, but would be unable to get out to the coast this winter.

THE house of Mr. Peden on San Juan avenue was burglarized last Saturday night and $6 in cash taken. The theft was discovered by one of the Peden boys, who returning home late found the back door open and the window up. He also discovered the contents of a drawer in which the money had been, scattered about but strange to say with many valuables untouched. The track of the burglar was located on Sunday morning in the back yard, but as yet no clue to his identity has been obtained.

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Remember the lecture this evening at St. Andrew's Presbyterian lecture hall by Mr. Wm. Burns, B.A., on "Manners and Customs." x

AT a short meeting of the Women's Council Monday afternoon the business left over from the annual session was finally disposed of. The presentation of the council's petitions to the legislature has been deferred until the next regular meeting.

ARTHUR ROWE, who stole a number of overcoats as soon as he was released from serving a term in jail—and furthermore stole them from the Y.M.C.A.—was yesterday convicted and given four months for each overcoat misappropriated. It will be February, 1898, when he is again a free man.

CEDAR Hill lodge No. 3 of the I.O.G.T. has elected and installed the following officers for the current term: O. H. Cogswell, C.T.; Mrs. O. H. Cogswell, V.T.; C. E. King, P.C.T.; Miss Maggie Irvine, Sec.; John Leeming, F.S.; Miss J. A. Scott, Treasurer; Miss Alice King, Chap.; C. McRae, M.; L. Clarke, D.M.; H. Gartley, G.; and G. Clark, S.

THE city council last night had a private meeting at which the estimates for the year were partly discussed, among them the salaries of the civic officials, which it is understood will be left the same as last year. The park gets an increase of $500. The subject of band music came up but was laid over as was also the policemen's request for higher pay. Another meeting will be held on Friday evening.

A CONCERT and social, under the management of the ladies of St. Barnabas' church, is announced for to-morrow evening in the Odd Fellows' hall, Fernwood road. Among the contributors to the musical and literary programme will be Mrs. Archer Martin, Miss Powell, Messrs. J. G. Brown, H. Ives, J. Morkill, F. Richardson, J. Pilling, Goward, and the Dixi quartette—Messrs. Sehl, Robertson, Thomas and Finn.

YESTERDAY evening's popular concert at the Y.M.C.A. rooms, under the auspices and for the benefit of the Y. W. C. A., attracted a numerous and appreciative audience who listened with pleasure to an interesting programme by Misses Hayward, Hutcheson, Mai Todd, and Fraser, Mrs. Rickaby, and Messrs. Kingham, Pilling, C. E. Jones, Mr. Gilbert and Master Fawcett. Ven. Archdeacon Scriven made an admirable chairman.

ELFORD & SMITH, the contractors for the new post office building on which Joseph Abrams lost his life by an accident last week, have generously assumed all the expenses of the funeral and yesterday handed their check to Undertaker Hanna. Although they were in no manner blameable for the fatality, either directly or indirectly, they feel keenly the death of their employe, that which cost Abrams his life being the first fatal accident on any of their contracts during all the long years they have been in business.

WITH brighter prospects ahead than ever before the James Bay Athletic Club commences this year's operations with an interest and enthusiasm that should result in good effects. The old officers of the club—president, H. Dallas Helmcken, Q.C., M.P.P.; vice-president, Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, and secretary-treasurer, A. J. Dallain—were all re-elected at a meeting of the club last night. The committee appointed to look after the different sports of the club were as follows: House committee, C. E. Bailey, C. Fletcher, Ven. Arcdeacon Scriven, C. W. Newbury and W. L. B. Young. Boating committee: D. O'Sullivan, W. J. Scott and A. C. Anderson. Finance committee: D. O'Sullivan, C. W. Newbury and C. Fletcher. Mr. W. S. B. Young was elected a member of the managing committee in lieu of Mr. J. Stuart Yates resigned.

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HEARD IN THE HOTELS.

Why Rossland Wants Incorporation—A Fair Field for Canadians—The Infant Salmo.

"I don't think there will be the slightest opposition to the incorporation of Rossland," said Col. R. Scott, who is here in connection with the bill that will be brought before the legislature asking that that flourishing mining centre be made a town. Col. Scott is not a novice in municipal affairs, for he had the honor of being mayor of Galt, Ontario, for several years. The great object in getting incorporation is, Col. Scott explained, that locally steps may be taken to place Rossland in a perfect sanitary condition, to provide for proper sewerage and other necessary public works. These questions are urgent, for it is predicted that by the end of 1897 Rossland will have as large a population as Victoria. People don't come there and leave again, they settle—and consequently Rossland is growing more and more rapidly.

"The proposed bill of incorporation, in connection with which Mr. MacNeill and I have come to Victoria," Col. Scott explained, "was, before we left home, submitted to a large and representative public meeting, and, after discussion, clause by clause, adopted without objection. The reference which the Miner made not long ago as to the desirability of a public meeting, was evidently a mistake—the meeting having already been held."

Talking about the report that some American mine owners in Rossland district were giving preference to their own countrymen as against Canadians, Col. Scott gives the statement an emphatic denial. Canadians and Americans are working together in perfect harmony and the Americans are not showing any disposition to take advantage of Canada's liberal laws to unduly assert themselves.

A well known American mining man who shares Col. Scott's views as to the unlikelihood of Americans making obnoxious distinctions on Canadian territory is Mr. E. Blewett, who is one of the largest owners in the Volcanic at Boundary.

"I don't want a vote in Canada," said Mr. Blewett, "Canadians have no vote in the States and consequently Americans would not think of asking that privilege here. Canada's laws are good enough for me. They give me all the freedom I want, and consequently I have nothing to feel uneasy over. As for giving any undue preference to American miners, I don't care a straw what nationality a man is as long as he does the work. I have nine Canadian partners myself and I don't ask for better men anywhere.

W. F. Sargent and other American mining men who are interested in British Columbia mines, spoken to yesterday all expressed themselves as satisfied with Canadian laws and Mr. Sargent did not hesitate to say that the law was better carried out on the Canadian side than in the United States. He was sure the report of undue preference to American miners was unfounded and regretted that anything of the kind should be started and calculated to disturb the cordial relations between Americans and Canadians.

Chatting at the Driard yesterday on the desirability of British Columbia ores being smelted in the province instead of being exported in the raw state, Mr. John R. Reavis, of the Rossland Miner, thought that the question was gradually settling itself, and without the necessity of any restrictive legislation. The Nelson and Trail smelters had already proved a great success, and he hardly thought that the smelter at Northport, on the Washington side, would be built. With coke from the Crow's Nest Pass and with cheaper transportation facilities, smelters would increase in British Columbia, and the export of raw ores to United States smelters would lessen.

John Maclure, P.L.S., has arrived from Salmo, where he has been engaged surveying the new townsite, and reports continued building activity; the foundation for Utely's sawmill required the removal of three and a half feet of snow. Mr. Maclure brought some samples of ore from the tunnel of the Royal Canadian mine, which much resembles the ore from the Rossland camp. The tunnel had been driven twenty feet and the rock was much mineralized. Some twenty mines are now being worked in the district, among the Johanesburg group, owned by Donaldson & Co, located on the Salmo townsite. This mine has driven a 70-foot tunnel, and another claim near the railway track had a shaft down 28 feet. Mr. Maclure said the opinion seemed general that the Salmon River mines will prove valuable. He walked from Porcupine creek to Salmo, a distance of eight miles, and it appeared that stakes of mining locations covered the whole distance. At Saywards some fifty claims had been located and some ten were working.

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SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

CHESS.

VANCOUVER DEFEATS WESTMINSTER.

A chess team representing Vancouver defeated a chess team who played for the honor of Westminster a few evenings ago by twelve games to eight. Owing to Vancouver only producing nine players to Westminster's ten, two games went to Westminster by default. The result was:

Vancouver—M. Smith, 1; J. C. Keith, 1; N. S. Hoffer, 2; A. J. Barker, 2; J. R. Stitt, 2; W. E. Brown, 2; J. C. Duvalo, 0; J. Preistman, 1; D. Stewart, 1; by default, 0. Total—12.

Westminster—Dr. Bodington, 1; W. Francis, 1; J. H. Vidal, 0; H. T. Beele, 0; F. C. Bloomfield, 0; J. Grey, 0; N. Cunningham, 2; George Kennedy, 1; Thomas Lewis, 1; E. Francis, 2. Total—8.

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W. H. West, of Seattle, is very anxious to display his skill as a wrestler. He writes to the COLONIST:

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NELSON & NORTH FORK.

Salmon River Country Will Receive More attention This Season Than Ever Before.

Splendid Samples of Ore From the British Canadian Gold Field Co.'s Properties.

Some very pretty samples of quartz were received yesterday from the Nelson district by the British-Canadian Gold Fields Company; also samples of the Galena Farm (Slocan) ore.

Speaking of the Kootenay country to a representative of the COLONIST, the Western manager, Mr. Herbert Cuthbert, said that in his opinion "this much overlooked and neglected district around Nelson was, during the coming summer, going to receive more attention than had been bestowed upon it for five years. The rapidity with which other districts have sprung into notice and the attention paid to Rossland by the people on the other side of the line to a large extent caused prospectors to neglect the Nelson country, but during the last few months this has changed and to-day great expectations are being formed as to the coming season.

"Several English and Canadian syndicates and companies are quietly securing properties, and now that the smelter is doubling its capacity and the C.P.R. running in a branch line from Slocan City, connecting with Nelson, the camp is sure to make a name for itself. In fact, one of the company's best properties is within a mile of the city. Its merit was never realized until we got hold of it; but as soon as we did so, no less than three other parties were after it. The company has not only secured it—the Sunset—but its extension, which gives a fine tunnel site for 3,000 feet. Nine men are working on the mine, in three tunnels, 35, 65 and 110 feet respectively, and it is out of the face of the latter that this fine specimen of ore was obtained. All along that tunnel there are two feet of ore that averages at least $15 per ton in gold, while in the face there is three and a half feet of it. We expect to strike a chute going $200 to the ton in another 30 feet; but the present ore exposed will give us a profit of $9 per ton, after deducting cost of mining and treating. The company will erect a concentrator there almost immediately.

"This is only one instance of the value of properties around Nelson. The Poorman and Athabasca are also great properties, in fact are, so far as developed, enormously rich. The company has put something like $20,000 in cash in the latter mine and men are working night and day driving a 7x5 foot tunnel, which is now in 100 feet. I expect to receive estimates for a large plant for this mine in a few days and to make arrangements with the directors for putting it in place. Assays as high as $17,000 per ton have been obtained. The latest news from the contractor is that there is two feet of the best ore in the face of the tunnel yet found in the mine.

"There is scarcely a district in that country I have not visited and my firm belief is that in ten years British Columbia will have a population of 600,000 people. The way towns have sprung up even this summer is simply astonishing. The company has properties in all these districts. In that new but most promising district, the North Fork of the Salmon are some fine properties. The Ben. Hassen, Maud S., Canadian King, Arnold, Iron Queen, Mersy, Arlington, etc. The most development work done in that section, so far, is on the companies properties, the Victoria, Daisy, Alberta and Careless. These are known all over the province for their large low grade ore bodies. But, do you know, that mining men everywhere are very fond of a low grade proposition with great bodies. There are eight men on this property working night and day, one tunnel is in 40 feet galena, which is improving all the time, and one cross-cut tunnel is in 85 feet which is expected to strike another lead upon which we have sunk a 25-foot shaft and out of which we have got $30 assays. From the appearance of the matter now coming in, it is quite possible from all indications we are near a large body of good grade ore, but this we will know in a few days.

"I am convinced that if a railway could be got into that country from the coast, say to Rossland, the metropolis for mining—I care not who builds it, or how it reaches it, so long as it does so, in 24 hours there will be better times here in Victoria than has ever been known. It will be our salvation. This company has been obliged to buy a great many supplies from Spokane, which I would much rather have purchased here; besides if such a railway ever goes through, connecting us with that country in 24 hours, Victoria will be the residential city of British Columbia.

"I notice a letter in the COLONIST from Mr. P. A. O'Farrell about Rossland and its mines, and he writes as no other man can write of it. He has known it from its infancy; but what can be said of Rossland now in a few years will be said of many towns in the interior—that is so far its mineral riches are concerned.

"I have just received a most important telegram which points to the satisfactory closing of a deal of some magnitude which has been pending for some time and which will give the company something like 600 acres in the Okanagan country. I expect to go up and close it almost immediately.

"The president of our company, Hon. George E. Foster; ex-finance minister of Canada, and our Eastern manager, Mr. C. B. Murray, are expected here to-night on the company's business, and will thoroughly look over our province, and I expect the result will be greatly to the benefit of the company and the province at large."

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For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

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THE LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

Returns to Be Sought by the Member for North West Kootenay—Other Notices.

In addition to the long list of questions, resolutions and bills standing in the name of Mr. H. D. Helmcken and published yesterday, the order paper for the local legislature already contains a number of other notices which give promise of valuable information, interesting debate and desirable legislation. They are as below:

By Mr. Kellie—To move for a return showing "the number of provincial and foreign joint stock companies operating and registered under the Companies' Act, Foreign Companies' Act and amending acts; name of each company; the capital stock of each; the date of registration, and the registered and head office of any and all such companies."

By Mr. Kellie—To move for a return "of all correspondence between the government, or any member thereof, and any person or persons, company or companies, in relation to the proposed construction of railways from the coast to the Columbia river, or to any part of the Kootenay district."

By Mr. Kellie—To move for a return showing the total amount and value of the output of the mines of British Columbia to January 1, 1897.

By Hon. Mr. Eberts—To introduce a bill respecting Master and Servant.

By Hon. Mr. Eberts—To introduce a bill for the Incorporation and Regulation of Trading Companies.

The house meets at 2 o'clock this afternoon, when the Speech from the Throne will be taken into consideration, Mr. Hunter moving and Mr. Stoddart seconding the reply.

A DERELICT SLOOP.

An Unknown and Submerged Vessel Passed by the "Tees" in Sechart Channel.

Schooner "E. B. Marvin" Loses All Her Canoes and Boats in a Gale.

A water-logged sloop in Sechart channel was passed by the steamer Tees, which got in from her regular trip yesterday morning. The Tees went some distance out of her course to discover evidence of the submerged vessel's identity, but this could not be even then learned. The forlorn sloop's mast projected out of the water some distance, her main boom, as also her rigging, was missing, the gaff hung over her bow and a big hole appeared in her deck. From the general appearance of things Captain Roberts, of the Tees, concluded that the vessel had been wrecked some time.

The Tees met several sealers on her trip. The E. B. Marvin put into Eucult about the beginning of the month minus several of her boats and canoes. She had been to Skidegate, had secured her Indian hunters and was bound south when a gale of wind struck her and did the damage. The Triumph, another of E. B. Marvin & Co.'s fleet, has secured her Indian crew at Ahousett and is off to sea. She is paying her hunters $3 a skin, but this, it is understood, is the only crew near that point that has signed at the wages stated, as the majority of the Indians are still holding out for $4.

On board the Tees on her homeward trip one of the steamer's crew was charged before agent Guilliod with supplying an Indian with liquor. The accused, however, denied the charge, and as the evidence against him was not overwhelming, he was, upon the recommendation of Captain Roberts and others, given his discharge.

The Tees brings news of a big meeting held at Eucult on January 25, to discuss the desirability of petitioning the government to build a road from that village to Clayoquot, a distance of 16 miles. As a result of the meeting a petition with 40 signatures attached was obtained and sent down to Victoria for presentation to the government. The Tees' passengers to Victoria were Captain Fulton, J. Piercy, J. A. Clayton, Mrs. Wm. Thompson, J. J. Beard, A. Deakin, Mr. Halfpenny, J. C. Anderson, H. McKenzie, J. Seeley and wife, Miss Goddyn, W. Farmer, John McKena and Harry L. Salmon. The last mentioned passenger made the round trip on the steamer and is delighted with the picturesque scenery and unexcelled sport afforded by the voyage.

THE "WARRIMOO" AWAY.

The Warrimoo left here for Southern Pacific points yesterday afternoon, full up with freight and carrying a good number of passengers. With the sailing of the steamer a contract went into effect between the Victoria Roller Flour and Rice Mill Co. and the managers of the steamer, whereby the latter have twenty-five tons reserved space on all outgoing vessels of the line for a period of several months. This space will be occupied by flour shipments, the product of the local mills, which will be sent forward to Sydney, N. S. W. In addition to flour there was loaded here yesterday 71 cases of salmon and a considerable quantity of naval stores intended for the service of H.M.S. Icarus now at Honolulu. The local agent of the steamer, Mr. George L. Courtney, who is also the general freight and passenger agent of the C.P.R. in this city, sailed on the steamer and may make the entire trip on her. He is making the voyage for his health, and has left Mr. Hamilton H. Abbot in charge of his business. The latter's place as ticket agent is now filled by Mr. Burns. The other passengers who embarked on the Warrimoo were: S. R. Morn, F. J. Swalding, S. P. Edwards, Mrs. Smith and two children, J. M. Boyd (all bound for Honolulu), S. Clapham, Mrs. Purden, and Masters J., William and H. Purden, and William Kelly.

THE "ELWELL'S RECORD.

Captain Ryder, of the ship Elwell, has won another suit of clothes, says the San Francisco Call. He made the round trip between San Francisco and Nanaimo, B. C., in less than thirty days for the fourteenth time, and Capt. W. Mighell is beginning to think it is time to call a halt or else raise the standard. The Elwell made the run from Nanaimo in thirteen days, which is very quick time considering the adverse winds encountered.

MARINE NOTES.

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan arrived at the William Head quarantine station at 5 o'clock last evening, inward bound from the Orient. Owing to the meagre character of the information obtainable by wire from the station last night the reason of her unusual detainment in quarantine station was not learned. No sickness, however, is known to be aboard.

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" Rosalie..... " " "
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LATE MARKETS.

Closing Stock Quotations in New York—Transactions in London Comparatively Few—Wheat Higher.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—To-day's closing quotations were: Atch., 14⅞; J.C., 99; D. & H., 107¾; D.L.W., 152¼; L. & N., 50⅛; N.P., 14¾; N.P. preferred, 37¾; S.P., 15⅛; U.P., 7; W.U., 82½; Cable, bar silver, 64¾.

The Evening Post's financial cable dated London says the stock markets were idle to-day, in view of the general settlement which will commence tomorrow. The tone was flat. Political disturbances are entirely checking business, though leading financial opinions do not regard the situation as really serious. Consols sold at 112⅝; Americans were steadier, but were lifeless. The Paris market opened steady, but closed flat. The Turkish market was weak.

Wheat—Receipts, 12,950 bushels; exports, 141,693 bushels; sales, 2,600,000 bushels futures. Spot dull but firm. No. 1 Northern New York, 86⅞c. f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 hard New York, 91⅝c. f.o.b. afloat. Options opened easier on "bearish" foreign news, but rallied and ruled firm all the day on coverings influenced by better late cables, war rumors, crop damage news and liberal seaboard clearances. They closed 1½c. higher. No. 2 red, February, closed 85c.; March, 85⅞c. to 96½c.; May, 82⅝c. to 83⅝c., closed 83⅛c.; June, 81½c. to 81⅞c.; July, 79 1-16c. to 80⅛c., closed 80c.; September, closed 77⅝c.

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SOUTH BEND, Wash., Jan. 4.

Dr. A. T. Sanden:

Dear Sir,—The belt that I got of you over two years ago for Debility did me a great deal of good. I was enabled to lay it aside after a few months' use, and have since had no recurrence of the trouble which first induced me to purchase the belt. I am satisfied that the use of the belt two years ago prevented the loss of my position, and checked permanently a serious derangement. I am sure that I would not have been able to work had I not used the belt. Yours truly, W. D. REEDY.

Thousands of people who have tried other means of treatment—other makes of belts—and have discarded them for Dr. Sanden's, are now praising it highly. Read what they say in the little book, "Three Classes of Men," a pocket edition of which can be had free, sealed, by mail or at the office.

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Trees, ornamental and fruit, will be sold very cheap for the next few weeks by the successors of P. T. Johnston & Co., as they are desirous to get the land cleared of the larger stock. Those laying out grounds will get bargains. Come and inspect the stock at the Nursery, St. Charles street, Cadboro Bay Road. fe7

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The following are the numbers of the debentures drawn for repayment at par on and after the 15th day of February next.

Interest thereon ceases on the 15th day of February next.

Fifty Debentures, numbers 87, 69, 56, 445, 234, 24, 204, 443, 224, 231, 175, 71, 373, 126, 402, 3 5, 157, 472, 47, 306, 203, 362, 84, 329, 193, 222, 403, 278, 315, 238, 189, 339, 347, 158, 364, 79, 3, 348, 257, 174, 137, 30, 97, 201, 350, 1, 251, 259, 172, 244.

Fifty debentures of $500.00 each $25,000.00

The above-mentioned debentures will be paid on and after the 15th day of February next, on presentation of the debentures at the Bank of British Columbia, Victoria, B.C.

For the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company Limited.

R. P. RITHET, Chairman.
F. W. VINCENT, Secretary.

[Countersigned.]
W. H. LANGLEY,
Victoria, B.C.,
Notary Public.

Victoria, B.C., January 23rd, 1897. ja26

Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, at its next sitting, for the passage of an act to incorporate a Company to be called "The Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company," to construct, equip and operate a line of railway from some point on Burrard Inlet or English Bay to New Westminster; thence eastward through the valley of the Fraser River and the southern part of British Columbia, by the most direct and feasible route, to the Town of Rossland, with power to amalgamate with, lease, purchase or otherwise acquire the Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley Railway Company, or any railway, or portion of a railway, either as a branch of or part of such main line; to build a branch line or lines from the City of New Westminster to some point on the coast line between the International Boundary Line and Point Garry, and such other branch lines as may be deemed advisable; to construct and maintain steamers, ferries, wharves and docks; to make traffic and operating arrangements with other railway lines, and to construct, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines for other than railway purposes.

A. L. BELYEA,
de16 Solicitor for the Applicants.

In the Matter of the Land Registry Act.

And in the Matter of the Title to Lot 994, in the City of Victoria.

Notice is hereby given that Gustav Sutro will be registered as the owner in fee of the above mentioned lot at the expiration of three calendar months from this date if no objection be made to the contrary within that time by some person claiming title to the same.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General of Titles.

Land Registry Office, Victoria,
January 19th, 1897. ja19

Estate of William Gibson, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Alonzo S. Taylor, of Everett, State of Washington, U.S., by order of the Hon. Mr. Justice Walkem, has been appointed to administer, within the Province of British Columbia, the estate of the abovenamed deceased, who died at Monte Cristo, Snohomish County, State of Washington, on the 22nd day of December, 1895.

All debts owing to the said estate are to be paid, and all claims against the said estate are to be presented duly verified, to the undersigned.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1896.

SAMUEL D. SCHULTZ,
49 Langley street, Victoria, B.C.,
no25 Solicitor for the Administrator.

The Lanark Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company, Limited L'y.

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the share and stockholders of the above-named Company will be held at the registered offices of such company, situate at 163 Cordova street, in the city of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, on the 6th day of March, 1897, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing resolutions authorizing the above-named company to sell and dispose of the whole or any part or portion of its property and assets.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1897.

By order
J. BUNTZEN,
fe6 Secretary.

NOTICE.

In the Matter of the Estate of William Johnson, Deceased.

All persons indebted to the estate of the above named William Johnson, deceased, are hereby required forthwith to pay, and all persons having any claim against the said estate are required to send particulars thereof duly verified, to the undersigned not later than the 20th day of February, A.D. 1897, after which date the Executors will proceed to distribute the estate, having regard to those claims only of which they shall have had notice.

Tenders for the purchase of section ninety-two (92) Lake District, the property of the deceased, one acre of which was, by instrument in writing, dated the 8th day of March, 1890, leased to George A. Perrin, with an option of purchase in the event of the sale of the remainder of the said property, at a price per acre equal to the highest price per acre obtained for the balance of the said property, which said instrument was by deed dated 21st December, 1891, assigned to William McKeon, Jr., will also be received up to the said 20th day of February, addressed to DRAKE, JACKSON & HELMCKEN, Solicitors for the Executors. ja19

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TENDERS.

NOTICE.

Lease of Timber Limits

EAST KOOTENAY DISTRICT.

Sealed tenders will be received by the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to 4 o'clock p.m., on Thursday, 25th February, 1897, from any person, persons or corporation, for permission to lease the undermentioned lands for the purpose of cutting spars, timber or lumber, subject to the provisions of the "Land Act," and amendments thereto, viz.:

Lots 260, 261 and 262, Group 1, East Kootenay District, containing in the aggregate 2,680 acres

The competitor offering the highest bonus will be entitled to a lease of the premises for a term of twenty-one years.

Each tender must be accompanied by a certified bank cheque to cover the cost of survey, $800.00, the first year's rental, $402.00, and the amount of the bonus tendered. The cheques will be at once returned to unsuccessful competors.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 29th January, 1897. ja17

NOTICES.

[L.S.] E. DEWDNEY.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Faithful the members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia at Our City of Victoria—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

D. M. Eberts, Attorney-General.

WHEREAS We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our people of Our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in Our Legislature:

NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to hereby convoke, and by these presents enjoin you, and each of you, that on Monday, the Eighth day of the month of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favor of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honourable EDGAR DEWDNEY, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 29th day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and in the sixtieth year of Our Reign.

By command,
JAMES BAKER,
de31 Provincial Secretary.

Legislative Assembly

Private Bills.

NOTICE.

The time limited by the Rules of the House for receiving Petitions for Private Bills will expire on Monday, the 22nd day of February, 1897.

Bills must be presented on or before the 1st day of March, 1897.

Reports from the Standing Committees on Private Bills will not be received after the 8th day of March, 1897.

If any of the Rules above referred to are suspended, the promoters of all Bills taking the benefit of such suspension of said Rules, will be required to pay double fees.

Authority to act as Parliamentary Agent during the session may be obtained on application to the undersigned.

Dated this 12th day of January, 1897.

THORNTON FELL,
ja13 Clerk Legislative Assembly.

NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:—

Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

Three quarters of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely: Upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1897:

Three-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

One-half of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

Upon such excess of income when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (residents of Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH,
January 2nd, 1897. Assessor and Collector. ja12

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YOUNG WOMEN AS GARMENT AND ARTISTS' MODELS.

The Requirements of a Model In a Cloak-house—Hours of Work and Pay—Ballet Figurantes—Artists' Models—Posing For the Nude.

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Among the throngs of young workingwomen crowding the business sections of every large city there are always some who attract particular notice by the striking beauty of their figures and the perfect fit of their close fitting gowns. It is easy for the city denizen familiar with all types to pick them out as cloak models.

The large wholesale houses where gowns, jackets and fur garments are sold employ them.

"It must be easy," thinks the pretty girl who is about to begin earning her own living, "just to stand in a big, comfortable salesroom and show off pretty clothes."

But it is not so easy. It is a well paid, fatiguing business with as many drawbacks as favorable conditions.

A goddesslike creature of 5 feet 10, or a perfectly formed little beauty of the shepherdess type, can never be a cloak model no matter how arithmetically correct her proportions may be. A figure of medium size or a little over is required. On such a model a large garment can be seen to advantage, as almost all ready made clothes are a little larger than medium size. This allows for alteration to a smaller figure, while the styles required for women of amazonian build must be made to order and cost proportionately more.

A cloak model should be about 5 feet 6 at most, have broad shoulders which she carries well, a bust of about 37 inches, a waist of about 23 and hips about 40. She cannot in the smallest degree be either too long waisted or short waisted. Her hand must reach a little below her knee when sitting.

Out of her good salary of from $15 to $18 per week she must wear gowns which show her figure and are the perfection of style, generally tailor made, as this severe mode displays fully the graceful lines which enable her to earn a living.

She has to reach the big wholesale cloak house at half past 8 or possibly 9 o'clock, assist in getting the stock in order and be ready to see customers by 10. Sometimes a whole day is devoted to one purchaser, a large buyer from some other section of the country, and during the inspection our cloak model has to try on dozens of garments, revolve like a dummy so that all sides may be inspected and do her best to make the garments attractive by reason of her good carriage and her beauty of face, if she possesses this, as she frequently does.

This never ceasing putting on and taking off, revolving and pacing are extremely monotonous—more monotonous even than the selling at a counter where a thousand different faces come and go. The salesroom offers no variety, and the remarks of the one or two customers have a wearying similarity as garment after garment is criticised and disposed of.

Favorable points of the business are the short hours, as many of these houses have no work for the model after 5 o'clock during the week and frequently permit a more early departure on Saturdays. The salary is large compared with that earned by women in other occupations. While the work has a sameness that is wearying it permits of restful intervals and generally a decent amount of time for lunch. Other drawbacks sometimes met with are the close contact with the buyers necessary for the sale of a cloak. It is nothing for a man to take a model by the arm, turn her around and pass his hand over the garment when on her to assure himself of the smoothness of the fit. All this can be done in a way to give no offense, but sometimes the "fresh" man, who crops up at intervals in every large community, comes along and in some way turns the necessary familiarity into an insult.

However, the position of cloak model can be held successfully by any young woman fitted for it by nature, who is not oversensitive nor on the qui vive for insult, who has a proper amount of independence and spirit visible in her personality, and who possesses a cool, discriminating brain.

Too often the girl with a pretty figure and no money drifts to the stage and becomes a figurante in a big ballet. To any one who knows anything about the seamy side of footlight life she awakens pity—a poor, little moth, caught by glare and bound to have her wings singed. Temptations are met here under which the hardiest morals totter and hardships to undermine the most bounding health.

Rosina Vokes once gave sound advice to a stagestruck girl which may be quoted here:

"You see me in the sunlight, you poor, little dear. I have a big parasol

A CLOAK MODEL AT WORK.

over my head, and I am just about to leave the stage to walk in the garden. How romantic! How fascinating! But remember—the sunlight is only limelight—there is no garden—instead as I make my exit I brush past a greasy machinist who is pulling up ropes, and I hold my skirts well out of the dirt while waiting for the next cue to go on."

This gives a good idea of the two sides to stage life. Coryphees and figurantes all a-dazzle in spangled tights, weaving wreaths of roses and changing from flame color to primrose under the rays flung from a prismatic hued lamp, are good to look at and seem very happy. But go behind the scenes and see what the figurante must endure when the curtain is down. She is one of a legion, huddled in a narrow, stifling space, penned like sheep, or driven into waiting lines by a manager who must be gruff it seems to be obeyed. Sometimes she is sworn at. She is a tired, perspiring, very human creature with rouge smeared over her foolish little face and black rings from grease paint under her tired eyes. The wreaths of roses are cheapest muslin. The spangles which blazed like jewels are only tin. No one thinks her romantic. If she faints she's charged for it, as if it were a luxury she had permitted herself.

The temptations of the stage life to the figurante seldom come from behind the scenes. It is all hard, unlovely business there, but if her face attracts some youth in the audience who has more money than brains, or if she is drawn into unsavory intimacies with roues by some of her already sophisticated companions, the story which is always born in sunshine and ends in darkness is commenced.

The figurante receives a weekly salary of $10. This does not apply to girls who dance or sing, but simply to those who are selected because of graceful figures to fill in a stage picture where ordinary marching may be required.

Another occupation requiring a beautiful form and one which pays well is that of artist's model. Studio life is so varied and depends so much upon the temperament of the artist as an individual that it is hard to describe it in a few paragraphs. There are some facts, however, the same everywhere.

A woman may be either tall, medium or petite for this life, provided her figure is good of its style. She may be a "society" model and only pose in fashionable gowns for artists who illustrate books and magazines, and in this case her figure may be faulty enough actually, provided she is graceful and wears her clothes in a chic way.

Perhaps she is renowned for some special beauty. A model will often sit for the shoulders alone, and I know of one whose perfect arm undraped from the shoulder has appeared in many canvases where she has had no acquaintance whatever with the re t of the figure.

These "society" and draped models receive about $1.50 an hour. But sometimes a model who poses well becomes so necessary to an artist or sculptor that she appears in all his work and gets known as his "style"—as, for example, the Junolike type running through all of the late Mr. Gibson's work. In instances like this an artist gives the model a generous salary, controls all her services and has her at his beck and call when he feels an inspiration.

Only one out of every dozen models can or will pose for the nude. This requires more beauty of figure than the other styles of posing, and few women, except those who have been trained to the life from childhood, successfully adopt it. In most cases the identity of models who pose for the nude is known only to studio habitues, and often only to one or two artists. These models receive $3 and sometimes $4 per hour, but the opportunities for employment are small compared with what Europe offers. All posing, even in a seated, comfortable attitude, is most trying to the nerves and muscles. Some attitudes, like a body poise in the act of running, where the burden of the body is thrown on one foot, becomes agony after a few moments, and many rests are necessary. The model who can hold a pose without a suggestion of movement and who requires the smallest amount of rest becomes popular. Grace, some artistic sympathy and physical endurance are necessary for the work. It affords more leisure than almost any other employment for women. KATE JORDAN.

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THE TOWN OF GRAND FORKS Has sprung into existence within the last year; early in the spring the place consisted of a few houses. Owing to the rapid opening of the Mines and the travel and traffic consequent on between 4,000 and 6,000 claims having been located, there are now estimated to be over 200 houses and 500 people residing in the town. The principal buildings consist of a three-story and several two-story Hotels, General Stores, Butchers, Bakers, Post Office, The Grand Forks Miner Newspaper Office, Brewery, Assembly Rooms, &c., &c., and all the usual Dry Goods, Millinery, Furniture and other businesses, which with several fine dwellings go to make up a busy town. Surveyors, Lawyers, Assayers, Real Estate Agents, Share and Mine Brokers are now established in business in this place.

AN APPLICATION Is now pending to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and notices given of two separate Private Bills for Water, Electric Light and Power Companies, also Telephone, Water, etc. All in connecction with and to supply the Town of Grand Forks and Suburbs.

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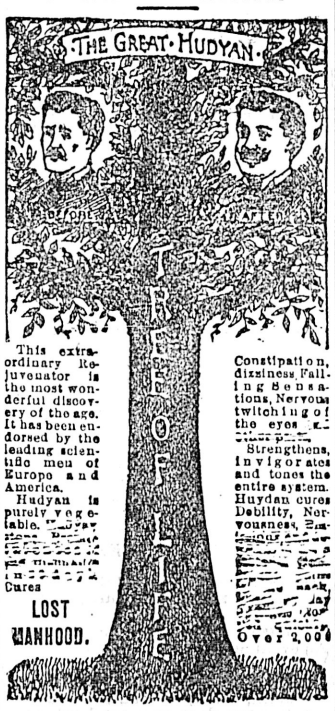

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Victoria, B.C., November, 1896. GEO. GILLESPIE, Manager

NOTICES.

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NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Dominion Parliament at its next sitting for a private bill to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining, and operating a railway from a point on the south boundary line of British Columbia, between the 133th and 136th degrees of Longitude, at the head of Lynn Canal, and thence northerly and westerly by the most feasible route to the north boundary line of British Columbia, with power to construct maintain, and operate branch lines and all necessary bridges, ferries, and wharves, and construct, own, and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to build, own, and operate steam and other vessels, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to acquire foreshore rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds, and other necessities, and to acquire lands and other bonuses or aids from the Government of Canada and British Columbia, or from any municipality, corporation, or person, to aid in the construction of the said railway, and make traffic and other arrangements with other railway companies or persons, and for all other usual and necessary powers and privileges, and also for power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed.

Dated at the City of Victoria, British Columbia, this 19th day of August, 1896.

DRAKE JACKSON & HELMCKEN,
Solicitors for Applicants.
Victoria, B. C. au23

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining a railway of standard or narrow guage from a point on the Stickeen river to a point on or near Dease Lake, in the District of Cassiar, with power to extend to the northern and eastern confines of British Columbia, and to construct and operate branch lines, and telegraph and telephone lines, and to construct and maintain wharves, docks, warehouses, and to expropriate lands for the above purposes, together with all other usual, necessary or incidental powers in the premises.

DUMBLETON & INNES,
Solicitors and Agents for Applicants.
Victoria, B.C., January, 1897. ja8

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an act to incorporate a company for the purpose of acquiring mining rights over unoccupied parts of the Cottonwood river, Cariboo District, and the banks thereof between the points A and B on a plan in the possession of the undersigned; also to divert the water from portions of the bed of said river, and to take, use, appropriate and divert the waters of said Cottonwood river, and of Swift river, Lightning Creek and Chislom Creek, or any tributaries of the same, and to build flumes and lay pipes, and to supply said water for mining, agricultural, manufacturing, electrical, domestic and other purposes, and for other powers and privileges incidental or conducive to the aforesaid objects.

Dated this 30th day of December, 1896.

P. C. DUNLEV
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One More of the Ill-Starred Sealing Fleet That Never Again Returns.

Battered to Pieces on the Rocks of Quatsino While Her Crew Fight for Life.

Pounding to pieces on the western shores of Vancouver island, with not a shadow of hope of ever saving her or of recovering any of the costly equipment or provisions requisite for her sealing expedition, the schooner Osprey is now a thing of the past. Her skipper, Capt. McDougall, and his crew of five men are fortunately all safe and in town, but their escape from a cruel death in a raging surf was extremely narrow. They arrived here from the coast on the steamer Tees yesterday morning, having left Victoria on their ill-starred cruise early last month. Capt. McDougall was going to White Stone island for an Indian crew before proceeding to the Southern grounds, and it was while making this voyage that his vessel was lost.

On the 19th of January, when off Quatsino, the schooner was caught in a heavy gale, which, suddenly shifting from the south to the southeast, carried the schooner on Brown's Point. Everything possible was done to avert disaster, but Captain McDougall, finally realizing that destruction was inevitable, ordered a boat to be lowered and all hands to get into it. This was done to avoid the rocks, which the schooner soon struck, and which were washed by an immense sea. The undertaking was extremely difficult and dangerous, for the water was rough and the wind high, and the fragile little boat, time and again, was filled with water.

It was in the evening that misfortune came, but the men managed to reach Lowe island, and there found shelter until daylight. They then went to Winter Harbor, and finally to storekeeper Leeson's, whose hospitality they shared for nearly a week. For Mrs. Leeson the men have nothing but the kindest words and grateful feeling.

"She was a brick," one of their number remarked yesterday, "and could not do too much for us."

But the kindnesses of Mr. and Mrs. Leeson are not alone shown on this occasion. Their hospitality has previously been tested by many other shipwrecked mariners.

The Osprey was a 40-ton vessel and belonged to Captain G. N. Fulton. She was built on the Sound about four years ago and was shortly afterwards registered here. She was a staunch vessel, but if her hull was solid it could not have resisted the rocks it struck. Her loss means, with equipment, provisions, etc., that of several thousand dollars, partially covered by insurance.

THE assault case in which Joseph Larbonne appeared as prosecutor and A. O. Roy as defendant was fully inquired into in the city police court yesterday, and proved a very small after all. A fine of $1 was deemed sufficient to meet the case.

TO RIVAL CARNEGIE.

Colonel Coolican's Colossal Scheme for a Steel Plant at Port Angeles.

He Has Landed His First Batch of Workers, With More to Follow.

Col. J. S. Coolican, president of the board of trade of Port Angeles, is a hustler. He is one of those men who knows a good thing when he sees it and has the ability to point out to the people of the effete East who are crowded and cribbed up in the big cities that boundless resources exist in the Golden West and only wait the magic touch of capital to bring fortune and prosperity.

For the last nine months Col. Coolican has been East and has been settled in St. Paul looking after the interests of the Pacific and Oriental Investment Co. of which he is president, the vice-president being Mr. Charles E. Hamilton, at one time mayor of the city of Winnipeg. This company has had in view a great scheme of establishing huge iron and steel works at Port Angeles, Washington, and Col. Coolican, who arrived in town last night from the Sound, and is now staying at the Driard, says that the enterprise may now be considered an established fact. With Col. Coolican are Mr. C. Everett, of Pittsburg, a consulting engineer and steel man, from Pittsburg, and who is accompanied by Miss Everett, his sister, a correspondent of several Eastern society papers, and Mrs. John Cain. Col. Coolican's stay in the East was, he reports, productive of the formation of the Port Angeles steel works, a huge co-operative concern to build an iron and steel plant at Port Angeles, at a cost of $2,000,000. The Pacific and Oriental Investment Co. had the site, it had the mines and it only wanted the money too to make it a go, so the contract with the Port Angeles Steel Works Co. is that the latter put up a 300 ton blast furnace, 30 open hearth furnaces, billet and bloom mill, rod, bar iron, nail, sheet and tin plate mills, foundry, machine shops and all complete, and as soon as $125,000 is expended the Pacific & Oriental Investment Co. will make over to them eighty acres for a milling site, 200 acres for a townsite, 500 feet of water front for wharfage on Port Angeles harbor, and other privileges. These great works will employ 2,000 men, and will be no mean rival to the great Carnegie himself.

It was only last Wednesday that Col. Coolican arrived at Port Angeles with his first detachment of thirty-five steel workers from Pittsburg and Duquesne, and though they passed through an exciting railway accident on the way all arrived unhurt. It was near Wanatchee that the train jumped the track and rolled down an embankment, after everyone had tucked themselves into their berths for the night. There was a general jumble up, but when the passengers crawled through the windows and sat cooling themselves in the snow outside it was found that only a couple of bruises and a black eye summed up the damages.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Insurance Men Ask That the Present System of Call Men Be Changed.

City Council Not Likely, However, to Go Quite That Far This Year.

Yesterday evening a deputation of the fire underwriters waited upon the city council for the purpose of presenting to them the advisability of establishing a full paid fire department in place of the present call system. This deputation consisted of the executive of the underwriters association, composed of C. E. Dickinson, president; R. Hall, H. M. Grahame, C. B. Stahlschmidt, R. S. Day; and S. G. Elliott, secretary; while H. A. Munn and William Dalby also attended.

The proceedings led off with a statement by Mr. Elliott, the secretary of the insurance men, who said, addressing the council:

"Our meeting with you this evening is, as you are no doubt aware, with a view of discussing the advisability of establishing a full paid fire department, which in our opinion and that of many of our leading insurance companies should supersede the present call system. In estimating the particular value of a city's fire appliances there is nearly always this awkward feature present, that the fire brigade and its officers have usually so little experience in fire fighting, that a sudden night alarm, or some exceptional and unexpected circumstance or crisis in connection with a fire is quite naturally apt to disconcert them and tends to prevent them applying their best energies, however courageous and capable they may be. Of course practice gives them experience, but this, alas, implies education at the expense of some insurance company. Take a real occasion for the service of the local force and you will note an undue excitement and nervous haste among the men, which only discipline and experience can tone down; and then minutes are so prescious, so important, at the outset of a fire, that promptitude and skill on the part of the Chief, readiness and coolness on the part of his subordinates count for so much in keeping down the loss. One grave deficiency of the present system is the absence of the firemen from the fire halls, there being only some two or three sleeping on the premises, the rest living at their homes in various parts of the city, the majority, we are sorry to say, outside the fire limits, and some even beyond the city limits. These deficiencies would be overcome by the establishment of a paid department as all the members of the brigade would always be on the premises ready for action. It was but three years ago that the head offices in Montreal and Toronto brought to the notice of this board the state of the water pressure and the onerous tax imposed which exceeds anything in the Dominion for the amount of business done, and were strongly of opinion that our rates should be raised 25 per cent. This, owing to the action of local agents and the promise of the city, was not done, and you are to-day enjoying the lowest rates of insurance on the Pacific Coast. Victoria has been a fortunate city so far as regards fire, yet these occur at the most unexpected times. St. Johns, for instance, little thought a calamity was so close at hand. Ilfracombe, England, composed of brick and stone, buildings—rather differently constructed to our cities—had enjoyed a forty years' repose, and coming near at hand we have Seattle and Vancouver. In fact no city is justified in taking its past records for the future view. Victoria is not in a position to sleep with security. Our water pressure is lamentably deficient, the mains are too small and we have only one steamer that is fit for use; while we are given to understand there are twenty millions worth of perishable property within our city limits.

"The majority of you are no doubt under the impression that the insurance companses take a large amount of money out of the city every year in the shape of premiums. We may therefore be permitted to place before you a few figures showing the true state of affairs. Taking the average annual premium income for the last six years at $80,000, we have the following results: Average yearly loss $32,000, or 40 per cent.; expenses as taken from the report of the superintendent of insurance at Ottawa, 30 per cent.; and reserve for unexpired policies and reinsurance purposes, 40 per cent.; this showing a loss to the companies of 10 per cent., or just the amount of the tax.

"The argument has been advanced," went on Mr. Elliott, "that the proposed change does not provide sufficient men to handle the apparatus. In this connection it may be well to draw a few comparisons. London, England, has 13 men to every 100,000 inhabitants; Vancouver has 22 men with two steamers and three fire halls; Jackson, Michigan, population 20,000, has 20 full paid men, cost $19,273.27; Mainslee, Michigan, population 13,000, has 9 full paid men; Hoboken, New Jersey, population 46,000, has 45 full paid men, expenses $52,000; Winnipeg, Man., population 31,750, has 30 full paid men, expenses $37,000; Hamilton, Ont., population 50,000, has 41 full paid men, cost $32,000; Spokane, Wash., population 30,000, has 45 full paid men, expenses $56,000.

In conclusion, you must readily see that we are in a position to demand a more efficient service than at present provided, considering the large amount paid by the companies into the city treasury, and we are very much afraid that unless something is done in the direction indicated, that the rates in Victoria will have to be advanced, and would, therefore, strongly urge upon you the adoption of the full-paid department system.

In response to the Mayor's question as to whether or not he was aware of any defects in the present system, Mr. Elliott said that the water pressure was not sufficient, and that there were a great many absentees among the call men at fires.

The Mayor replied that the water question was not affected by either a full or call system, and he produced the roll-call of the department to show that at 50 fires, since last March, the absentees only averaged two.

Ald. Partridge, chairman of the fire wardens, in explanation of the roll-call, said the roll-call did not show what men were present when the fire began, only after it had been extinguished, therefore it could not show properly what men were at the fires, consequently Mr. Elliott's statement was perfectly accurate.

Mr. R. Hall was the next to present his views as an underwriter, saying that he considered a partly paid department was not so satisfactory as a full paid one, because it was impossible for call men always to get as promptly to a fire as men living at the fire halls. However, if the council did not see fit to change the present system at any rate some rule should be made about call men living within a reasonable distance of the fire halls. The call men being permitted to put on substitutes, too, was not fair either to the department or the safety of the city. The first five minutes told, he said in conclusion, and everything depended on men and apparatus getting at once to a fire.

Mayor Redfern remarked that he could not say what action the council would take, but he thought he was safe in promising that it would be insisted that a larger number of the call men should sleep at the fire halls than hitherto.

Mr. William Dalby, as another fire underwriter, spoke strongly in favor of a full paid department. The insurance companies, he pointed out, paid a larger tax than any other business and were entitled to some consideration.

"Do you consider that a department of eighteen fully paid men is better than one of eleven full paid and sixteen call men?" asked Ald. McCandless.

Mr. Dalby, speaking from his own view, believed it was.

Then Mr. Day has his opinion to offer. In this democratic age representation went with representation, consequently the wishes of the insurance companies, who paid fully one-half the cost of the fire department, were entitled to consideration. Waxing eloquent, Mr. Day turned back to history to prove that an army of 1,000 well equipped and trained men were more than equal to a large force of undisciplined, and from this illustration he held that a small paid department was better than a large ill-trained one.

Ald. Harrison, though standing up for the present system, was not actuated by any but the best motives. He insured himself and had $6,000 now with Mr. Hall.

"Well, it's time you changed and gave the rest of us a chance," put in Mr. Dalby, jokingly.

Mr. H. A. Munn while favoring the paid department wished the council to understand that the insurance men were actuated by the best motives and not by a desire to raid the treasury, and Mr. Hall desired to state that he and his associates did not come there to dictate but simply to express their views.

Then with mutual expressions of the high consideration the council and insurance men held for each other, the discussion terminated.

MILITARY DEFENCES.

Important Augmentations of the Grrrison at Halifax Said to Be Contemplated.

HALIFAX, N.S., Feb. 9.—(Special)—An evening paper publishes the following: "Sir Herbert Murray, Governor of Newfoundland, is due this week from St. John, Nfld., en route for Ottawa within a few days to meet Lord Aberdeen. It is reported in inner military circles in Halifax that the plans for the construction of a new barracks are complete. The report is also in circulation among military people that two regiments of infantry and one of cavalry will be stationed at Halifax. It is impossible to learn anything of these startling reports any further than that they have been traced to originate with people who would be supposed to know something of what was going on behind the scenes. The possibility of seizing and throwing a garrison into St. Pierre Miquelon, in case of trouble with France, Halifax would be the headquarters of expeditions of that character.

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BANK OF ENGLAND.

Death of Its Former Manager Recalls the Financial Stir of a Few Years Ago.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—Frank May, formerly chief cashier and practically manager of the Bank of England until he resigned in 1893, is dead. The resignation of Mr. Frank May, announced on November 10, 1893, caused quite a stir in financial circles in Great Britain. Mr. May was practically manager of the Bank of England and had been chief cashier for twenty years. His father was junior partner of the firm of Coleman & May, stock brokers, who were connected with several trust companies which collapsed towards the end of 1893. It was reported after Mr. May's resignation that the Bank of England had advanced large sums of money on securities to these companies. But the report was never verified and was denied. The Bank of England sustained a heavy loss as a consequence of their failure.

The reason given for requesting the resignation of Mr. May was that he had induced the Bank of England to make transactions which were not in accordance with the old traditions of the Bank of England, and it was stated the losses sustained did not exceed £25,000. A report was circulated, after Mr. May's retirement, that he had been made the scapegoat for the irregularities of certain directors, and on their initiative he accepted their doubtful securities. Some reports had it that the Bank of England lost as much as £400,000 by the transactions referred to, and it was further hinted that these losses were incurred not so much in the trust companies in which Coleman & May had an interest, but in transactions with the South American and Mexican companies.

PERSONAL.

R. F. Tolmie of this city has been appointed mining recorder at Nelson.

Dr. Ernest Hall returned last evening from a brief business visit to Kootenay.

C. D. Rand, of Rand & Wallbridge, arrived down from the upper country last evening.

Max Leiser and Captain H. R. Foot were among the Victorians returning from the Mainland by last evening's Charmer.

F. J. Wheeler, district agent of the Great Northern, with headquarters at Vancouver, arrived over from the Terminal City last evening.

Norman McLean of Vancouver is at the Driard. He has come in connection with the private bill for the railway from the Coast through Southern Kootenay.

Wilbur F. Knapp, the Coast representative of the "World" bicycle; E. C. Garrett, of Vim tire fame; and Thomas A. Johnston, the local "pro." rider, went over to Portland by the Sehome last evening. The latter will be away from home for a fortnight.

S. Maclure left last Sunday by the overland route for California, intending to remain away about six weeks. Afterwards, and before returning home, he will visit the principal Eastern cities, making a short stay in Philadelphia.

George L. Courtney, local agent of the C.P.R., was a passenger for Honolulu by the Warimoo on the sailing of that steamer yesterday. He will be in the capital of the Island republic for a month or more, during which time Mr. Hamilton Abbott will be in charge of the Victoria office of the company.

Our Skin.

The influence of the skin on the general health of the body is too little recognized. The skin is constantly throwing off matters which if they remained in the system would soon cause serious trouble. When the skin is blotchy and dry it indicates that it is unable to do its work efficiently, and if prompt measures are not taken results seriously affecting the general health may ensue. A fruitful source of skin troubles in these days is the use of bad soap containing an excess of free alkali. Such soaps attack and remove the natural fat of the skin and leave the hands and face hard and dry, liable to crack and chap or to develop more serious conditions. If ordinary soap is used the skin may be kept soft and smooth by the use of a natural fat, such as "Toilet Lanoline," which is supplied by all chemists and dealers, in convenient collapsible tubes. If the skin is very sensitive, however, Lanoline Toilet Soap should always be used, because it is superfatted with purified fat from lamb's wool, and supplies the skin with a natural emollient.

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5 a.m..	42.		5 a.m.—8 E.
9 a.m..	41.	Highest 44°	1 p.m.—8 N.E.
1 p.m..	43°		9 p.m.—Calm.
5 p.m..	42°	Lowest 39°	Rain—.00. Cloudy.
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ABERDEEN'S INFLUENCE.

His Excellency and the Manitoba School Question—Statement of Mr. Desjardins.

MONTREAL, Feb. 9.—(Special)—The five thousand metre race was again postponed owing to the softness of the ice. It will come off to-morrow.

In an address before the Cartier Club last night, Hon. L. A. Desjardins, ex-minister of militia, who formed part of the commission which the Bowell government sent to Winnipeg to confer with the Greenway government, said the cabinet never had a great deal of hope or confidence as to the result, but Sir Donald Smith and a little group threatened to bolt and vote against the government if they did not make one more effort at conciliation. Mr. Desjardins also referred to another influence, rarely before exercised in political affairs. Although he did not mention the name all present supposed he referred to Lord Aberdeen.

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